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MARRIAGES

DUNKLEY — RUTHERFORD.—On May 24, 1940, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Very Rev. Dean A. C. S. Trivett, M.A., D.D., GEORGINA MOIRA RUTHERFORD to GEORGE SAMUEL DUNKLEY. -9085

DELAQUAIZE — KIRILLOVA.—On May 21, 1940, at the Union Church, Mme. E. KIRILLOVA to Mr. M. DELAQUAIZE. -9087

FUNERAL SERVICE

Funeral Services for the late Dr. Frank J. Rawlinson who passed away in August, 1937, will be held in the Chapel of the Pahsienjao Cemetery, Rue Vouillemont, South of Avenue Joffre on Wednesday, May 29 at 5 p.m. followed by Masonic Committal Services of the ashes under the auspices of Amity Lodge No. 106 F. & A. M. All friends and Masons are invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Rawlinson Memorial fund may be sent to the office of the Chinese Recorder, 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road. -9017

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NOTICE

TO MEMBERS OF THE LITHUANIAN ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held on Friday, May 31, 1940 at 6 p.m. at 67 Avenue du Roi Albert, for the purposes of electing a Committee for the ensuing year.

J. A. ZABULANIS,
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LITHUANIAN ASSOCIATION

Shanghai, May 25, 1940. -9015

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To-day's Events

MAY

26 Spring American Tennis Tourn. S'hai Cricket Club.
26 S. M. Orch. Tschaikowsky Festival Soloists with Symphony, Lyc., 9.15
26 Intercession Service, O.R. Synagogue, 11
26 Tea Dance for R.A.F. Funds, 544 Seymour, 3
26 Tientsin British Concession ceded (1858)
26 Queen Mary's birthday (1867)
26 NCDN broadcast 12.45 and 9 p.m. XMHD 760kc. 395m.

Coming Events

MAY

27 Polish Women's Association Bridge/Mahjongg, Foreign Y., 2.30
28 A.W.C. Picnic, 12
29 S'hai Jewish Sch. Prize dist., 544 Seymour Road, 5
30 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
30 American Memorial Day Service, Chapel, Bubbl. Well Cemetery, 8.30 a.m.
30 Royal Asiatic Society, Lecture.

JUNE

1 9th. Ann. Halutzim Ball, Race Club, 9
1 A.W.C. garden party, 4.30
2 Prof. B. Zakharoff pupil's 1st. concert, A.W.C., 4
3 Engineering Society meeting, 9.15
4 St. Olga's Orphanage, Bridge/Mahjongg For. Y, 2.30-7
6 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
8 Prof. B. Zakharoff pupil's 2nd. concert, A.W.C., 4
13 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
15 P.S.A. Former Pupils' 'At Home' and ann. gen. mtg., at school, 404 Yu Yuen, 3.30
20 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
20 Jumble S., Limbless, U.C. Hall, 9.30
27 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15

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	8.00	"The Day of Intercession," a talk by Rev. J. M. L. Bryan, B.A., chaplain to the British Forces in Shanghai.
Monday,	May 27, 7.30	Light Concert.
	8.30	News Bulletin.
	9.00	"Czecho-slovakia" a discourse by ARBITER.
	9.20	Vaudeville programme.
	10.30	Close down
Tuesday,	May 28, 7.30	Vocal and Dance Music.
	8.30	News Bulletin.
	9-10	Symphony Concert.
	10-10.30	Dance Music.

TIMES OF NEWS BULLETINS
12.30 p.m. and 8.30 p.m.

THIRD TERM ISSUE AND THE QUESTION OF U.S. PARTICIPATION IN THE WAR

Never have the Americans been presented with such a serious and disturbing question at such a difficult time—just preceding a national election. Few question American sympathies or desire to help the Allied cause, but how to help in most effective manner and at this particular time is the question. The subject is discussed from various angles in this week's issue of **The China Weekly Review** (May 25) now on sale at all book stores and magazine agencies. This article will provide a background for understanding developments in the United States in the immediate future. But of most sensational interest is an article:

"NAZI PROPAGANDA AND THE WORK OF THE GESTAPO IN OUR MIDST"

This article discusses in authoritative manner a subject which has been whispered about Shanghai for many days. It was written by a man who is familiar with this subject—from Berlin and Rome to Shanghai—Mr. Julius R. Kaim, who has the proof to back up his assertion.

"JAPAN TIGHTENS HER BELT AGAIN"

This article, by a new writer in Shanghai, Mr. Chester R. Holcombe, brings us back to our own war on our own doorstep. Mr. Holcombe spent several months in Japan and knows his subject at first hand. It should be read by all who are concerned with, or by, the war on this side.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT ON U. S. DEFENSE

President Franklin D. Roosevelt on May 16 requested from Congress funds and approval for the greatest defense programme in America's history. The President's statement appears in full on Page 449 and should be read as it also provides background information for future developments. Other articles this week include an important article on the Silk Situation by John Ahlers (also did you read Mr. Ahler's article last week on the effect of the German invasion of the Low Countries on Shanghai trade?) "The Grave Ordeal in Northern France," "General Maeda May Clean Up the Badlands," "Why Japanese Yen Slumps Along with Chinese Currency," by Kurt Block, an authority on the subject of Far Eastern currencies. Also numerous short reports and summaries and many excellent cartoons from the world's press.

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Barometer inches	29.91	29.98	29.99	30.01
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.04	+0.08	+0.10	+0.09
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	+0.02	+0.06	+0.08	+0.03
Wind (direction)	N	ENE	N	NW
" (miles per hour)	6.2	4.3	0.0	3.1
Temperature (Fahr.)	81.°5	68.°4	64.°2	68.°7
Humidity %	57	73	73	74
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	5	10	10	10
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report May 24	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.93	+0.04	29.83
Temp. Min. 66.°7 Max. 84.°7	75.°5	+2.°0	68.°0
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	14.64	—	14.11

Time and Tide	26/5	27/5	28/5	29/5	30/5	31/5	1/6
Sun rises at Shanghai	4.53	4.52	4.52	4.51	4.51	4.50	4.50
Sun sets at Shanghai	6.50	6.50	6.51	6.51	6.52	6.52	18.53
Moon rises at Shanghai	22.49	23.27	—	0.02	0.35	1.08	1.41
Moon sets at Shanghai	9.10	10.06	11.00	11.53	12.45	13.37	14.36
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	13.05	13.50	14.49	16.00	17.15	5.50	6.55
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	6.05	6.56	7.56	9.00	10.07	11.20	12.10
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	15.05	15.50	16.57	18.19	6.51	7.59	8.57
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POST OFFICE NOTICES

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SUNDAY, May 26.	Reg.	Ord.
Hongkong and Canton	*20.00	9.15
Ninghsien etc.	9.30	10.00
Tsingtao Weihaiwei Chefoo and Tientsin	10.00	10.00
Hongkong Canton Aust. N.Z. and Indo-China	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Foochow via Sankiangkow	18.30	19.00
MONDAY, May 27.		
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	*19.00	7.15
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	*19.00	8.00
Amoy	11.30	12.00
Straits	AX 12.00	13.00
Ninghsien etc.	12.30	13.00
Hongkong	12.30	13.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Hongkong	19.30	20.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong B	—	—
Hongkong and Haiphong	19.30	20.00
Hongkong Canton Aust. N.Z. and Indo-China X	19.30	20.00
TUESDAY, May 28.		
Tsingtao and Dairen	8.30	9.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin	12.30	13.00
Nantung	14.30	15.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for S.S. Great Britain and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 27th.
B Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 27th.
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Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service per steamer on May 29, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due London on June 12.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on May 29, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on June 11.
Air France per steamer on May 29, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary.
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Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at 12.00 and 10.30 p.m. at Yuhang Road Sub-Office at 11.30 a.m. and 10 p.m.
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Light Train Mail

Via N.S.R. 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Hangchow 11.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai Line (Chenghsien and east thereof) 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday Min. 64.0 Max. 78.0
Same date, 1939 Min. 60.5 Max. 86.0
Rainfall Trace.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday Min. 63.0 Max. 73.8
Same date, 1939 Min. 57.2 Max. 87.4

State on the morning of the 25th:—Normal to high and steady pressure over China and Japan. Northerly to easterly winds along the China Coast. Cloudy and fine weather.

State on the morning of the 25th:—Cloudy weather. North-westerly wind. High and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy and fine weather with south-westerly to south-easterly winds around Shantung. Overcast to cloudy with mist and unsteady breezes over our regions: North-easterly to south-easterly to the south of the Saddles.—Siccawei Observatory.

Post Office Notices Continued

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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German Lies:

A Reader's Reaction

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Herr Cordt's venomous elucubrations to the Chinese journalists, reported in your today's number, can also be answered by refering this truthful orator (a rather pale copy of his master Goehring, by the way) to a series of drawings due to the pen of the Alsatian caricaturist Hansi and which appeared in many continental papers some years before 1914.

In these drawings, with his usual verve, Hansi depicted, through the ages and their endless invasions, from the time of the Sicambers up to modern times, the well-known propensities of the Teutonic soldatesque, pillagers at heart, for removing the furniture and fixtures of houses in their occupation.

One of the last drawings, relating to the year 1870 depicted a bearded and bespectacled landwehr's soldier removing, with true German thoroughness, the smallest items of such a furniture, not forgetting the baby's perambulator and a certain vase, mostly used during the night, the whole to be sent to his good haustrau.

This series of life-like drawings gave our teitonic friends the sting of their lives. Il n'y a que la verite qui fache. Lies are better met with contempt.

If I remember right, in his famous book, the "Four Knights of Apocalypsis," depicting the 1914 invasion, the great Spanish writer Blasco Ibanez, had also, with his consummate art, something to say about the removal of the best pieces of furniture in a certain occupied castle, somewhere in the north of France.

Anyway I wonder if it was quite necessary to organize a reception at the Park Hotel to deliver this clumsy piece of lying propaganda and pay these journalist a gratuitous insult to their intelligence which I rate much higher than that of the orator.

A. LORRAIN.

Shanghai, May 25.

"H.M.S. Pinafore":

Praise for Performers

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It was with surprise and even a certain amount of indignation that I read in last Sunday's edition your critic "E.H.'s" account of the opera, H.M.S. PINAFORE, given on Friday evening, May 17, in the Russian Club's theatre by the students of Mary Farnham School.

Although invited to this performance as a guest, and not at all in the capacity of a critic, I nevertheless feel that, as a singer and teacher of singing, I must voice my reactions to the performance of this well-known work. In the first place, I disagree that "the solo singing was weak." The young soloists were all middle-school students, not mature professionals; and in spite of the triple handicap of youth and lack of training and experience, all the soloists, in my opinion, turned in very creditable and enjoyable performances. To criticize them on the same basis as professionals, therefore, is manifestly unfair. Your critic doubtless did not know, either, as I did not until it was told me, that *two* complete sets of soloists were trained for the opera, the second group singing on Saturday afternoon.

The chorus work was, without doubt, as your critic said, "excellent," and showed fine training and coordination. For young Chinese girls to memorize both the music and English words of a complete opera, including men's parts, is no less than remarkable. Having bought a copy of the score and looked it over since the performance, I have found my amazement growing; for there are passages where entirely dissimilar melodies and rhythms are sung together. These difficult passages were rendered with smoothness and precision by both chorus and soloists—a feat in the execution of which I have known even professional opera companies to stumble.

In the absence of an orchestra, full responsibility for instrumental accompaniment rested on the shoulders of the pianist, whose hours of practice with both chorus and soloists showed in her smooth and always sympathetic accompanying of both. The conducting, while adequate in passages where it was needed, was never obtrusive, soloists especially being allowed to sing unhampered by the waving of the baton.

In conclusion, may I express my very great enjoyment of a performance which was truly delightful as well as remarkable.

ROBERT ROSE

Shanghai, May 23.

Cathedral Boys:

Names of Those on Service

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The undersigned will be grateful for names and addresses of old boys of the Holy Trinity Cathedral School, Cathedral and Henry Lester Endowment serving with His Majesty's Navy, Army, Air Force and/or Merchants Marine.

A. K. BROWN

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Shanghai, May 25.

The Refugees:

Large Influx Denied

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Some of the local foreign language journals brought the news (seemingly emanating from the "Sun Pao") that about 3,000 Central European Refugees would land in Shanghai in the course of May, swelling the number of immigrants to 27,000.

As a member of the Refugees Committee in Charge of Immigration Affairs I deem it essential to emphatically contradict these irresponsible statements. I estimate the number of Central European refugees likely to land during the current month in Shanghai at about 30, and possibly less, while the figure pertaining to the entire refugee colony now residing at Shanghai is probably nearer to 19,000 than 27,000.

E. KANN

Shanghai, May 25.

Allied Morale High, Says London Press

"Our Armies Not Beaten Nor Discouraged"

London, May 25.

Although the military situation is considered by newspapers here as critical, they emphasise that the morale of the Allied peoples remains excellent, their confidence in the final victory unshaken, and their determination stronger than ever.

"The Times" says Hitler has been able to set foot on the coast of the Channel, but he has realised no advance towards his other objective, namely, the destruction of the confidence of the peoples of Great Britain and France.

"If there is any temptation here to feel dismay at the approach of the direct threat to our shores, that feeling comes much more of being too far from the battlezone than too near," the paper declares.

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CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Trinity Cathedral.—May 26.—1st Sunday after Trinity.—Holy Communion (also in Bubbling Well Chapel) 8 a.m. Special War Intercession Service 10.30 a.m. Hymns:—165. 373, 198. Psalm:—46. Lesson:—Samuel 7, 1-17. Benedictus. Litany. Anthem: —"Behold God is great" (Naylor) Preacher:—Rev. E. J. Ottewell, L. Th. A Litany for use in time of War. (Service will be broadcast from Cathedral over XMHC. 700 kc.) Children's Service 10.30 a.m. Sunday Schools. (Cathedral Girls School) 3 p.m. Evensong and Sermon 6 p.m. Psalm: 8. Lessons: Joshua 5, 13-6, 20; Matthew 1, 18-end. Hymns: 37, 19, 265, 28. Preacher: The Dean. Bubbling Well Chapel. 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. G. A. Scott. (Intercession prayers will be broadcast daily from Cathedral over XMHC., at 12.10 p.m.).

St. John's Pro-Cathedral, Jessfield.—Holy Communion in English at 7.30 a.m. Evening Prayer in English at six o'clock. Preacher: Rev. M. H. Throop, S.T.D.

Union Church.—(International and Interdenominational), 107 Soochow Road (near the British Consulate-General). —Officiating Minister: Rev. C. Wilfrid Allan.—10.45, Morning Worship. Special Service of Intercession for the British Nation at this time of crisis. The service will be conducted by the Rev. C. W. Allan, and the preacher will be the Rev. H. T. Stonelake. 10.45. Children's Morning Service in Church Hall; 3, Western District Sunday School at 1 Great Western Road. Friday, 5.45, Choir rehearsal.

Evangelical Lutheran Synod, English services at 5.30 p.m., conducted by the Rev. O. H. Schmidt, executive secretary of Foreign Missions, in the Union Church Hall, corner of Soochow and Yuen Ming Yuen Roads. A welcome extended to every one.

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20.30: Gospel Service (Rev. F. S. Donnelson).
21.00: Russian Evangelistic Service and Music.

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8.30: Thought for the Day (Rev. C. J. Lowe).

12.45: "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
13.00: Devotional Service and Song
17.00: Classical and Popular Music
20.00: Sacred Concert
20.30: Gospel Service and Song
21.00: "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
21.30: Russian Service (Tuesday)

Noonday speakers: Mr. K. Faulkner, Dr. H. G. C. Hallock. Rev. A. E. Small, C.I.M. Frends, Miss Edith Spurling and Rev. G. A. Jacobson. All are cordially invited to "Tune In."

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Saint Theresa's Church.—(370 Tatung Road) Tel. 39359. Sunday: Masses at 7 and 8.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6.45 a.m.

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Fourth Marines Church.—Will have as its guest speaker, Chaplain P. G. Linaweaver, USN., who is the chaplain attached to the Island of Guam. In conducting these morning services, Chaplain Linaweaver will speak on the theme, "Cynics and God."

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Shanghai 1647 Avenue Road.—Sunday Service 11 a.m. Sunday Service in German 9.30 a.m. Subject: "Soul and Body. Sunday School 9.45 a.m. Testimonial Meeting, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Reading Room at the Church open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. Wednesday from 10.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Shanghai Free Christian Church. —(Evangelical) 681 Hart Road.—The Services on Sunday will be conducted as follows:—Morning at 11 o'clock by Dr. W. C. McLauchlin, D.D. Young Ladies' Bible Class at 4.45 p.m. Evening at 6 o'clock by Rev. Jas. Orr. Services during the week:—Monday at 8 p.m. Young People's Meeting. Thursday afternoon at 5.45 Prayer Meeting.

Community Church. The Rev. R. Pierce Beaver, Ph. D., of the Evangelical and Reformed Church China Mission, will preach in Community Church Sunday at 11 a.m. on the theme, "The Mind of Christ." Mr. R. V. Dent will be at the organ, and the choir will sing "Hark! Hark, My Soul!" by H. R. Shelley. The Church School will meet at 9.30 a.m. The Christian Endeavour Society and the Youth Fellowship Group will meet in the Church Parlour at 4 and 5.30 p.m., respectively. At 8 p.m. the American Presbyterian Mission meeting will be held in the Church auditorium.

Endeavourers Church—The following services will be held on Sunday at The Hut, 491 Yu Yuen Road. 9 to 9.45 a.m. Sunday-school classes 10 to 11 a.m. Morning service at which the speaker will be Rev. A. E. Phillips. Mid-week prayer meeting will be held on Wednesday at 5.30 p.m. in room 305, Missions Building, 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road.

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Society of Friends (Quaker)—A meeting for worship to which all are welcome will be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday, in room "D" at the Foreign Y.M.C.A., 150 Bubbling Well Road.

"The Hut." 491 Yu Yuen Road.—Sunday School at 5 p.m. Evening Service at 6 o'clock. Preacher, Mr. K. J. Faulkner.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF MAY 26, 1870

The Fire Queen brings downs news of farther large purchases of new tea in Hankow. The settlements, 21,000 half-chests in all, consists entirely of Kiukiang tea, costing in Shanghai Tls. 39—43½ (2s. 3d.—2s. 6d). with the exception of one small chop of Oanfa tea (425 half-chests) costing in Shanghai Tls. 30 (2s. 1d). The teas generally cost fully 10 per cent. more than last year, or 20 per cent. more than the generality of London limits; and nothing but loss can be expected, if business continues at the same prices. The profits made by the teamen average from 5 to 7 taels per picul which insures us a full supply for the season.

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6.10-6.15	Chinese music
6.15-6.30	News in Shanghai dialect
6.30-6.35	Chinese music
6.35-6.50	News in Mandarin
6.50-7.00	Music by German composers
7.00-7.15	News in German
7.15-7.20	Music by German composers
7.20-7.30	Music by Russian composers
7.30-7.35	News in Russian
7.35-7.50	Music by Russian composers
7.50-8.00	Light music
8.00-8.15	Causerie by Mme Claude Rivière
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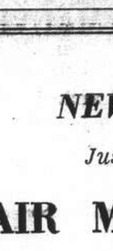

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From a Clubman's Chair

More British Soldiers Speak French ; Airmen Bring Back the "Empties"; Reminders of Maharajpore

By Charles Martin

The British Expeditionary Force in France has many points in common with its prodecessor of the 1914-18 campaign; one difference is that today more Tommies understand and speak French than was the case 25 years ago. In the Army lecture courses, instruction in the language of our ally plays a leading part.

Few of the soldier scholars are likely to attain the linguistic proficiency of Gen. Sir Edmund Ironside, chief of the Imperial General Staff, who is said by French officers to speak their language perfectly, with the pure accent of a peasant from one of the central provinces. When General Gamelin visited Aldershot recently he was able to talk freely in his own language not only to the French Canadians but to General Ironside who accompanied him.

Sir Edmund has the gift of tongues; he has mastered sixteen. Opportunities for practising some of them are rare, so he has made a habit of talking to himself in a foreign language when he rides in Rotten Row of a morning. Not long ago some colleagues conspired to test his linguistic abilities. They arranged a meeting with an Africaans-speaking South African officer. Sir Edmund passed the test with flying colours. "He spoke just like a native," said the Dominion soldier.

Any Bottles or Bones

Beer from English breweries is sent to France for the troops. Many crates have crossed the Channel since the beginning of the war. What becomes of the "empties"? The bottles, I am told, are stacked in piles; in the course of time they come to resemble huge shell dumps.

Someone, so the story goes, had a brainwave. Why not send them back to the brewers and collect the customary "money on the bottle" allowances? There are plenty of aeroplanes flying back to Blighty with room enough and to spare for such a cargo. Airmen proved willing to co-operate, it is said, and loads of "empties" were duly flown back, unofficially, of course.

It is related of one pamphlet raider who became a traveller in glass-ware for the journey back to Britain that he dropped the crates "accidentally" along with the literature when over Cologne.

From bottles to bones. It is the practice of pilots of a certain Coastal Command squadron in Britain to drop newspapers and magazines to the crews of lighthouses on some of the remote islands. Recently, I hear, they have taken to dropping bones as well. I hasten to add this does not imply any shortage of more satisfying food. The bones are for a dog belonging to one of the lighthouse keepers.

The animal soon learnt to associate the coming of a plane with the arrival also of a juicy titbit from an Air Force cookhouse. Whenever a machine approaches the dog barks excitedly and rushes across the island to pounce on the bones as they fall. As most of the lighthouse bases are very small the pilot must drop his parcels with accuracy.

Rare Medal for Red Cross Sale

Among the many valuable articles sent to London to be auctioned for the Red Cross was a gold and diamond star which at once roused the interest of collectors. Most of the text books on medals and decorations, when consulted, proved barren of information on the subject. Many experts were unable to identify the emblem, the gift of a Wiltshire doctor.

Only four such stars were awarded, and this is the first one to be offered for sale. They were bestowed on four Englishwomen by the Government of India after the battle of Maharajpore in 1843. During fierce fighting between the British and Gwalior armies the white women, mounted on elephants, were moved off to a place of safety.

At least it was thought to be safe until a cannon ball knocked down a nearby elephant and the fugitives discovered to their horror that they were poised conspicuously on a hill between the contending forces. There was no safe way of retreat. Luckily they came through the ordeal unscathed and received medals to commemorate their escape.

Hero's Mascot is White Feather

A tramp steamer, bringing iron ore from Newfoundland to Britain in the early days of the war, was challenged by a U-Boat. Instead of surrendering, she held the enemy at bay with the aid of a solitary 4-inch gun, and after fighting for an hour and a quarter managed to escape. The sequel occurred recently when the master of the ship, Capt. W. H. Harland, was awarded the O.B.E.

Like most men in the Merchant Navy, the captain carries a mascot. It is a white feather given to him in the last war. After three years in the trenches as an infantryman, he was badly wounded. It was while recovering at a Yorkshire seaside resort that a patriotic young woman presented him with a token of cowardice.

Sheep in Hyde Park

The sight of a flock of over 500 sheep grazing in Hyde Park, right in the heart of London, never fails to rouse the curiosity of Dominion visitors, specially when they learn that the animals have come all the way from Scotland. In charge of the sheep is an Aberdeenshire shepherd, aided by two collies, who also come from north of the border.

Is there a shortage of grass in Scotland? Is there something particularly attractive about London grass? I made a point of asking the shepherd these questions the other day. He told me that in his native country there was not enough grass for sheep in summer. "Most of the land is ploughed up and the grass kept for hay," he said. And London grass was extraordinarily good, he added.

CONTRACT

By Albert H. Morehead

(In the New York "Times")

If any bidding trend could be discerned from the individual tournament, it is a steady lowering of the values required for opening bids in match-point duplicate play. Five out of nine players made some opening bid on the South hand in this deal:

North: ♠ 6 4 ♡ J 10 8 5 ◇ A 10 9 4 ♣ A 5 3

West: ♠ A K 9 ♡ 6 3 2 ◇ K Q J 6 ♣ Q 4 2

East: ♠ Q J 5 3 ♡ Q 9 4 ◇ 2 ♣ J 10 8 7 6

South: ♠ 10 8 7 2 ♡ A K 7 ◇ 8 7 5 3 ♣ K 9

East dealt, with both sides vulnerable, and passed. Morrie Elis, winner of the tournament, bid one spade on the South hand, and rebid when his partner responded with two diamonds (they were down two at three no trump). Dr. R. H. Ecker, a previous winner, and one other player bid one diamond. Philip Steiner of Cincinnati, donor of the trophy, and one other player bid one club.

The bidders were generally unsuccessful, three of them reaching contracts at which they went down, while the four South players who passed the hand made plus scores on the board because West then opened the bidding with one diamond and East-West were defeated at a one no-trump or two-spade contract. No generally accepted bidding system permits a bid on so weak a hand as South's, even in duplicate play.

Boldness in Defence

In the Vanderbilt Cup tournament total points are scored and the tactics are about the same as in rubber bridge. In the following deal, bold defence by Mrs. Josephine Culbertson (West) gained a trick over the Four Aces:

North: ♠ Q J 8 7 ♡ Q 2 ◇ J 10 9 2 ♣ J 7 5

West: ♠ 10 4 2 ♡ A 10 9 8 7 ◇ K [illegible] ♣ Q 10 [illegible]

East: ♠ 6 5 ♡ K 6 5 ◇ A Q 8 7 6 ♣ 9 4 3

South: ♠ A K 9 3 ♡ J ◇ 5 4 3 ♣ A K 8 6 2

South dealt, with both sides vulnerable. The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 Club	1 Heart	Pass	2 Hearts
2 Spades	3 Hearts	3 Spades	Pass
4 Spades	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the king of diamonds, which won. She then underled her ace of hearts, East taking the king. On East's two high diamonds West threw her two clubs, and then ruffed a club lead to defeat the contract two tricks.

Test Questions

The answers to these test questions are based upon a consensus of experts who held and bid or played the hands in the Vanderbilt Cup tournament. The experts' opinions are given even when they differ from published systems.

(1) As second hand, dealer having passed, both sides vulnerable, what is the proper bid, if any, on the following:

(a) ♠ J 10 6 3 ♡ K 9 8 6 ◇ A K Q ♣ 6 2
(b) ♠ A K Q J ♡ 6 ◇ 9 6 5 4 2 ♣ A 8 3
(c) ♠ 9 ♡ Q J 8 6 5 4 ◇ A Q J 3 ♣ Q 7

(2) Both sides vulnerable, West is declarer at four spades, there having been no adverse bidding.

West: ♠ A Q 10 8 6 3 ♡ K 6 5 3 2 ◇ — ♣ A 7

East: ♠ 9 5 ♡ 9 ◇ Q 10 9 7 6 ♣ K 9 8 5 4

North opens the diamond king, East (dummy) plays the six and South the three.

(a) What should West plan to play to the first, second and third tricks?

Assuming that, when hearts are first led, South wins the first heart trick, what should West plan to do

(b) if South returns a spade?

(c) if South returns a diamond?

Answers to Questions

(1) (a) One spade; so that, if partner responds two clubs, the rebid may be two hearts. The "book" bid is one diamond, but this might necessitate a two no-trump rebid, for which the hand is too weak. (b) One spade. The longer diamond suit is disregarded, despite possible future difficulties in rebidding, because of the danger that, if the opponents play the hand, partner may make a costly opening lead in diamonds. (c) One heart, which is generally permitted in most bidding systems; but some of the experts consulted expressed preference for a pass, explaining that some one is almost sure to open the bidding and this hand, with considerable playing strength, justifies an overcall, which better shows its nature.

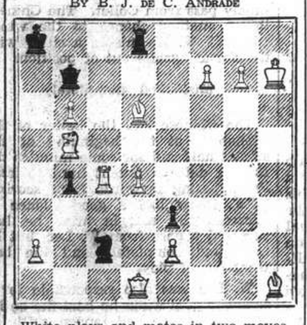
(2) (a) West ruffs the diamond lead, plays his low club to dummy's king and leads the nine of hearts, planning to put up the king if South plays low. As it happened, South put up the heart ace and won the trick. (b) West plays the spade queen, for he must take one finesse to try to lose no more than one spade trick, but must hold the lead so that dummy's last trump cannot be taken out before he has ruffed a heart. (c) West discards a heart on a diamond lead, planning to discard another heart on the diamond queen later and to ruff his remaining small heart in dummy.

Using the Self-timer

CHESS

PROBLEM No. 214

By B. J. de C. Andrade



White plays and mates in two moves.

Answer to Problem No. 213

White: K on KR5; Q on KB4; R on Q6; B's on QR6, K1; Kt on QR4; P's on QR2, K2. Black: K on QB5; Q on QKt4; R's on QKt5, Q8; B on Q5; Kt on KB6; P's on QKt3, K6, KB4. Two moves. Key Q × BP. Threat 2. Q — Q5. Variations: 1. B — B4, 2. Q — B2; 1. B — K4, 2. Q — QB8; 1. B else, 2. Kt × P; 1. Kt — K4, 2. Q — K6. Here is a proof of the theorem that a capture may be an ideal key. The strongest White piece restricts its action by a self-pin, capturing the weakest Black unit, and a blocked unit at that, and the theme lies in the unpins of the Q, which occur three times.

Dublin C.C. Championship

Slav Defence

White		Black	
B. O'Sullivan		J. J. O'Hanlon	
1.	P — Q4	P — Q4	
2.	Kt — KB3	Kt — KB3	
3.	P — B4	P — B3	
4.	Kt — B3	P × P	
5.	P — QR4	B — B4	
6.	Kt — K5 (a)	P — K3	
7.	P — KKt3 (b)	B — QKt5	
8.	Kt × P (B5)!	Q — Q4	
9.	Q — Kt3 (c)	Q × R	(d)
10.	Q × B	P — B4	(e)
11.	Kt — Q6ch	K — Q2	
12.	P × P	Kt — R3	(f)
13.	Q — Kt5ch	Q — B3	
14.	Kt × BP	Q × Q	
15.	P × Q	Kt — QKt5	
16.	R — R4		
17.	Kt × R	Kt — B7ch	
18.	K — Q1	R — Q1ch	
19.	B — Q2	Kt — Q5	(h)
20.	R × P	Kt — Kt6	
21.	R × Pch	K — K1	
22.	P — B6!	R × Bch	
23.	K — K1	R — Q1	(i)
24.	P — B7	R — B1	
25.	P — K4!	Kt × P	
26.	Kt × Kt	B × Kt	
27.	R — Kt8	K — Q2	
28.	B — B4	Kt — Q5	(j)
29.	P — Kt6	B — Q4	
30.	B × B	P × B	
31.	P — Kt7	R × P	
32.	R — Q8ch!	Resigns	(k)

(a) It is generally believed that P — K3 (to recover the unit by B × P) is the best move. (b) Seems a prepared variation of much cunning. (c) The necessary corollary, giving up the exchange. (d) Queer variation; B × Ktch, 10. P × B, P — QKt4, 11. P × P, P × P, (Q × R, 12. P — Kt6, with frightful complications), 12. Q × Pch, Q × Q, 13. Kt — Q6ch, with advantage. Again, 9. ... P — QR4, 10. Q × B, P × Q, 12. Kt × Q, and White comes out of the trouble with a better pawn-skeleton. (e) Or B — R6, 11. Kt — Q6ch, K — Q1, (K — Q2 is death by 12. Q × Pch, K × Kt, 13. B — B4ch; while 11. ... K — K2 or B1 introduces a mating net by 12. Kt — B5ch), 12. Q × P, and if he doesn't win it's another injustice to Eire. (f) Or B — R6, 13. P — B6ch; Q × BP (forced, I believe), 14. B × B, Q × Kt, 15. Q × Pch and wins a R. (g) Mr. O'Hanlon puts up a very game fight, and obtains quite a little counter-attack. (h) All ingenious, but the Irish champion gets terrible passed pawns. (i) There is nothing better; R — B7 is foiled by P — B3, with a safe spot for the K. (j) Kt — B4, 29. P — QKt4, Kt — Q6ch, 30. K — Q2 Kt moves. 31. B × Pch, K × B, 32. R × R and wins. (k) K × R, 33. P = Q ch. A regular Irish shindy, shaming the Kilkenny cats.—"Observer."

American States Protest Zone Violation

Washington, May 25.

The 21 American Republics, including the United States, yesterday protested to Britain and Germany against European violation of the Western Hemisphere "safety zone," extending 300 miles to sea from the shores of the American continents. The protest specifically named the incident in which the German freighter Hanover was scuttled in the presence of a British warship on March 9 in Dominican waters.—United Press.

South African Waters Cleared of Mines

Capetown, May 25.

Measures taken to clear mines located off Cape Agulhas have been successful, and no damage has been done to a single ship, states an announcement by the defence authorities.—Reuter.

Britain Plans to Raise Coal Output

London, May 25.

The British Government is pursuing a comprehensive plan to raise the output of coal. This entails the engagement of 50,000 additional miners and the reopening of many pits. A pooling system is being arranged by which the best mines will carry submarginal mines. The plan is particularly needed, it is pointed out, because the Lille coalfield in north-east France, which produces 45,000,000 tons of coal annually, larger than the entire output of South Wales, is now in the war zone.—Reuter.

Snapshot Guild

Have you ever tried taking informal self-portraits—or perhaps a story telling sequence of shots of yourself, busy at some hobby or everyday activity about the house? It's an entertaining camera pastime—and with the aid of a self-timer, you can shoot such pictures easily.

The self-timer is a small "delayed-action" device which clips on the cable release of a camera, and trips the shutter after a brief time interval. Some fine cameras even have a self-timer built into the shutter. You simply place the camera on a firm support, press the release catch of the self-timer—then step into the picture, and pose as you wish, until the shutter clicks.

With a couple of photo bulbs, a self-timer attached to the cable release or your camera, and a short "scenario" of a half-dozen or so pictures to act out, you can have no end of fun all by yourself. For example—taking this picture as a cue—you might show yourself at a hurried breakfast, putting salt in the coffee by mistake, burning the toast, spilling milk on the newspaper, and then discovering it's Sunday and you don't have to work after all.

Or, if you're interested in character studies and fake-up, self-portraits with a self-timer may be even more fun. Set up the camera just below a mirror, in which you can check your expressions. Put on the make-up—work out the most suitable lighting—then release the self-timer and it does the rest while you pose.

The great advantage of using a self-timer, in photography such as this, is that you can take as much time as you wish on details—and not keep someone else standing by just to trip the shutter for you.

If you make a hobby of building ship models, or aeroplane models, or similar construction work, the self-timer is also useful. With it, you can get snaps of yourself at various stages of a job, and these will provide a welcome addition to your hobby record. In family pictures, the self-timer is likewise a great help. You need no longer be "just the photographer." With the aid of this little gadget, you can appear in any picture you take.

The self-timer, of course, can only be used on a camera that has a fitting for a cable release. If your camera is so fitted, you should by all means have one of these devices—and you'll find it one of the most generally useful items in your kit.

Most U.S. Navy Planes Stated Antiquated

Washington, May 25.

Declaring that "the people ought to face the facts," the Senate Naval Committee yesterday declined to suppress testimony by Rear-Admiral J. H. Towers, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics of the Navy, to the effect that of the Navy's 1,367 combat 'planes, only 192 were less than a year old, while the others were up to seven years old.

Senator Harry Flood Byrd (Democrat: Virginia) said that on the strength of this testimony he estimated that only about 500 of the Navy's machines could meet modern European 'planes in equal combat.—Reuter.

Nineteenth Annual Statement of

ASIA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

December 31, 1939

ASSETS

			US$ Equivalent
Cash in banks and on hand			396,473.34
Bonds and Debentures :			
Governments		$294,282.08	
Railroads		91,191.40	
Public Utilities		161,006.88	
Miscellaneous		233,684.47	780,164.83
Preferred and Common Shares :			
Preferred		$123,908.75	
Common :			
Banks	$183,644.88		
Insurance Cos.	356,094.57		
Miscellaneous	44,755.53	584,494.98	708,403.73
Real Estate Mortgages			119,701.41
Real Estate			18,002.01
Policy Loans and Premium Notes secured by Policy Reserves			554,595.96
Net Premiums Due and Deferred			169,709.64
Reserves deposited with Reinsurance Companies			17,025.00
Due from Reinsurance Companies			17,956.74
Interest, Dividends and Rents Due and Accrued			17,436.56
Other admitted assets			6,444.51
			2,805,913.73

LIABILITIES

Reserves for Policies in force	2,188,270.28
Claims in process of settlement	41,884.68
Policy Proceeds and other funds left with Company at interest	52,532.95
Reserve for Policyholders' Dividends	18,676.12
Interest and Premiums received in advance	83,741.40
Reserves deposited by Reinsurance Companies	22,604.38
Due to Agents	6,680.91
Reserve for taxes, etc.	6,500.00
Other liabilities	538.86
Reserve for Investmente and Exchange Fluctuation	30,000.00
Capital Stock (Authorized 100,000 shares of US$5.00 each ; outstanding 40,000 shares)	200,000.00
Surplus	154,484.15
	2,805,913.73

CERTIFICATE

Asia Life Insurance Company :

We have made an examination of the accounts of Asia Life Insurance Company as of December 31, 1939, and in our opinion, the above Balance Sheet sets forth the financial condition of the Company at that date.

Henry S. DeVault & Co.
Public Accountants and Auditors

April 18, 1940.

THE NEW SWIM SUITS *are here*

YES

The 1940 Bathing Suits are here in a nice variety. America sent us Jantzen Swim Suits and they are just as smart as smart can be! But then Jantzen Suits are always smart and, of course, they always fit perfectly. There is no wrinkling or sagging with a Jantzen Suit.

AMERICA

Then again from America we received some of those ultra-smart Satin Lastex Suits. If you want to be outstandingly smart on the beach this year, wear a Satin Lastex Swim Suit! Also from America came those two-way stretch Silk Swim Suits and, by the way, there is only one of each style, so you will not see yourself coming down the beach in one of these Suits.

ENGLAND

sent us the new "Peter Pan" Suits — two-way stretch — Suits that fit just like a glove, in new and original colours. Be sure to see these smart little Swim Suits.

There are a lot of other Swim Suits from England. Anyone of them will command attention and give you first rate service.

FRANCE

of course sent those wonderful, check Cashmere Suits that Frenchwomen love, and many other women as well. They are soft, comfortable in wear, smart in appearance. Be sure and ask to see these Swim Suits.

OF COURSE

We have that wonderful American Swim Cap that just will not let your hair get wet. The name of it is, of course :—

KLEINERT'S
OLIMPIA
SAVA-WAVE

It is obtainable in White and Colours. Of course, there are hundreds of other Swim Caps and Helmets.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

5,000 Watch Annual Police Sports at Race Course

Edwards Beats Fast Field to Win Open 100 Yards Championship; Fonseca Outstanding

LEAVING his mark like lightning, C. Edwards streaked across the 100 yards flat in the record time of 10 seconds, to thrill a crowd of about 5,000 that packed the grandstand at the Race Course in the Shanghai Municipal Police 30th Annual Sports Meet. The final came after three gruelling heats had been run off in which Mudry, Meyer, Edwards, M. Volodchenko Kotzmann and Novgorodoff, the cream of the city's sprinters, qualified. Edwards right from the very start managed to obtain a three-yard lead and kept it all the way to the tape. He was followed en masse by the rest with Mudry, Novgorodoff and Volodchenko running neck-and-neck for second position. But the judges picked out Mudry as second with Novgorodoff third. The S.F.X. track and field captain was heartily applauded and is now the possessor of the huge Shanghai Race Club Challenge Cup.

The meet got under way promptly with all the colour, and efficiency of the previous meets and was immensely enjoyed by the spectators.

"Tony" Fonseca proved beyond doubt that he is still far from "burnt up" in the track events. He gave a magnificent display of stamina and speed when he easily won the grand aggregate. Fonseca won all the police Championship events from 100 yards to 880 yards in which he entered and scored by far the majority of points for the Jail. His eight firsts were not in vain yesterday for the Jail were second to the "C," "D" and Reserve Unit by some 20 points. The latter towards the end overtook the leaders by the narrow margin of one point. The Jail won the Divisional Championship with 59 points, "C", "D" and Reserve Unit were second with 58 points, "A" Division and Headquarters came third with 10 points and were followed by the "B" Division and Depot with seven points.

Crouch Wins Mile

The Police mile was won by Crouch, who started out with a lead of 20 yards to increase it to 50 along the stretch. The lanky "copper" was at no time challenged and he covered the course in 4 minutes and 57 seconds. Simpson of the Jail finished second and was followed by Bader.

The Shanghai Open mile Championship saw a group of the leading local milers in the contest and coming around in the straight were Volodchenko, Dimmock, Worley, S.A.S. miler, and Clemens. With 25 yards to go Dimmock put up a fine spurt to challenge Volodchenko. The spectators all expected a counter-challenge by the latter but Dimmock went on and it was all over. Clemens finished the mile with a spurt and was only a step behind Worley, who surprise the spectators by his stamina.

Willie Ward, last year's star in the same meet, won only the 440 yards Police Championship.

Relay Race

The School boys relay (Shuttlecock) was won by the S.F.X. boys who had to fight it out with the S.A.S. and the P.T.H. right up till the last man. With Edwards in a five-yard lead it was all over. Novgorodoff put everything he had in the last 10 yds. and overtook Chan (SAS) at the tape to take 2nd place.

The stilt race brought in a touch of humour. The men on the stilts were dressed in gorgeous coloured Chinese gowns and some were in police uniforms. Clowning went on during the whole of this race, which was enjoyed by all.

Taking much of the spectators' interest was the Tug-of-War. The "war" started with a great upset as the S.M.P. "A" pulled the Marines over once and did it again to show their superiority. The Marines lacked style and could not "dig in," in spite of the weight they possessed. It was the Seaforth Highlanders that thrilled the spectators with their masterful teamwork. After much heaving and pulling the Seaforth "A" won from their "B" team-mates who put up a splendid showing against their heavier opponents.

Surreys Win

The two-mile North China Championship saw a large pack of the British Forces participating with an equally large number of Chinese runners from the Hongkew Cross Country Clubs. T. L. Wong ran the two laps ahead of all the others. But it was a surprised crowd of spectators that heard the East Surrey Regiment called winners, with the Seaforths second and the Chinese team third.

The Police Band provided favourite songs and enhanced in no small way, one of the most successful sports meets held for a long time.

The meet ended its four-hour programme with a Medley Relay race where the Foreign "Y.M.C.A." team of Novgorodoff, Dobrenky, Edwards and Service showed their heels to the rest. The Marines just managed to finished ahead of the East Surreys to take second position.

One of the largest and finest arrays of trophies ever seen here was distributed by Mrs. Bourne, wife of the Commissioner.

The results in detail:

Open and Invitation Events

100 yards Shanghai Champion:—1, C. Edwards; 2, Mudry; 3, Novgorodoff and M. Volodchenko (dead heat). Time:—10.0 secs. (Shanghai Record).

440 yards Shanghai Champion:—1, Jacobs; 2, Dobrenky; 3, Jorgensen. Time:—51.5 secs.

One Mile Shanghai Championship:—1, Dimmock; 2, N. Volodchenko; 3, Worley. Time:—4 mins. 46.5 secs.

Tug-of-War Shanghai Championship:—Seaforths "A" (winners); Seaforths "B" (runners-up).

Two-Mile Team Race:—1, East Surreys; 2, Seaforths; 3, Hongkew "A". Time.—10 mins. 17 secs.

880 yards Schoolboys Relay Race (Invitation):—1, St. Francis Xavier's College; 2, Public and Thomas Hanbury School for Boys. Time:—1 min. 29.4 secs.

One Mile Medley Relay—220, 220, 440, 880 yards—(Invitation):—1, Foreign Y.M.C.A.; 2, U.S. Marines, 3, East Surreys.

Tent Pegging Competition (Invitation):—1, Seaforths; 2, S.M.P. Sikhs.

Police Championship May 18

Shot Put:—1, Prokofieff; 2, Kachan; 3, Pate. Distance; 40 ft. 3 in.

High Jump:—1, Prokofieff; 2, Kachan; 3, Pate. Height: 5 ft. 7½ ins.

Broad Jump:—1, Fonseca; 2, Prokofieff; 3, Ward. Distance: 21 ft. 3 in.

Hop, Step and Jump:—1, Fonseca; 2, Prokofieff; 3, Kato. Distance: 45 ft. 1 in.

Cricket Ball Throw:—1, Kato; 2, Ward; 3, Kachan. Distance: 310 ft. 6 in.

Police Events (Yesterday)

One Mile Police Championship:—1, Crouch; 2, Simpson; 3, Bader. Time:—4 mins. 54 secs.

100 yards Police, Junior Championship: 1, Fonseca; 2, Mironoff; 3, Kachan. Time:—10.4 secs.

880 yards Relay Divisional Championship:—1, "C" and "D" Divisions and Reserve Unit.

100 yards Police Championship:—1, Fonseca; 2, Kachan; 3, Chooklantzeff. Time:—10.4 secs.

880 yards Police Junior Champion:—1, Fonseca; 2, Mironoff; 3, Lovell. Time:—2 mins. 19 secs.

440 yards Police Championship:—1, Ward; 2, Kachan; 3 Bader. Time:—52.5 secs.

220 yards Police Championship:—1, Fonseca; 2, Mironoff; 3, Kachan. Time:—23.2 secs.

880 yards All Police Championship (Including Sikhs and Chinese):—1. Fonseca; 2, Crouch; 3, 123.

Cadets Race:—4, 38; 2, 17; 3, 34. Time:—12.2 secs.

100 yards Sikh Championship:—1, 199; 2, 211; 3, 161. Time:—11.6 secs.

100 yards Chinese Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors and Clerks Championship:—1 Sung Tse-chung; 2, Wu Shih-chuan; 3, Huang Chung-jung. Time:—11.5 secs.

440 yards Chinese Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors and Clerks Final:—1, Sung Tse-chung; 2, S. T. Tung, 3, Wu Shih-chuan.

Stilt Race:—1, 2251; 2, 2306; 3, 2254.

220 yards Chinese Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors and Clerks Final:—1, Sung Tse-chung; 2, Wu Shih-chuan; 3, Huang Chung-lung. Time:—25.2 secs.

440 yards Sikh Relay:—1, Gaol; 2, "C" and "D" Divisions and Reserve Unit. 3. "A" Division and Headquarters.

Sikh Police Boot Race:—1. Warder 177; 2, Cook 9; 3, S.P.C. 209.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Getting Off the Mark for the 100 Yards Dash

Springing away from the starting line are seen the six finalists in the Shanghai Open 100 yards championship run off in the Police Sports yesterday afternoon at the Race Course. The winner was C. Edwards (fourth from left) who sped over the distance in the fast time of 10 seconds flat. Second was Mudry of the 4th Marines and third was Novgorodoff. The picture shows (left to right) Meyer, Mudry, Volodchenko, C. Edwards, Novgorodoff and Kotzmann.

Polo Players Begin Summer Season

24 Seen Practising on Race Course

By "The Chaser"

The "tent-pegging" event on the Police sports programme yesterday afternoon curtailed polo activities to a large extent and only 24 players turned out for practice games and pick-up chukkers and twelve chukkers were played during the afternoon. Culbertson's team for the Army Cup which includes, R. B. Moller, L. R. Moore, G. Lacks and himself, were pitted against a team consisting of L. Riggio, N. I. Krikoriantz, Maj.-Gen. Keith-Simmons and Macfarlane and played over four chukkers. Franklin replaced Macfarlane in two chukkers. Although neither side were extending themselves or their ponies it was evident that Culbertson's team were the stronger.

Culbertson and R. B. Moller were practicing several weeks before the polo ground opened in the Race Course and it was apparent from their hitting yesterday that they have had a headstart on the other players. Culbertson should be a very valuable man for the American side when the Sir Peter Grain Cup comes up for competition as he has a magnificent string of fast, well trained and seasoned polo ponies.

During the game yesterday he showed that he had not lost any of the tricky stick work while his distance shots were still accurate. R. B. Moller appeared to be playing a much better game than he did last year and was hitting a good long ball. Although the Mixed Grill, which will probably comprise Col. Hornby, L. Riggio, N. I. Krikoriantz and L. Scheyven, is the tentative favourite for the Army Cup, Culbertson's is also held in esteem.

The Light Horse Army Cup team were also seen in action yesterday. The team consisted of A. A. White, H. A. White, R. J. Elles and E. B. Moller but did not fair too well. Elles is hitting well this year with a fair amount of accuracy while Henry White has fully recovered from his accident of last summer in which he broke his arm but he was not up to his previous form.

White Sox Keep on Winning

Detroit Tigers Given Set Back 2-1; Brilliant Game Resolves Into Pitching Duel

New York, May 24.

THE Chicago White Sox, famous for prolonged winning streaks every year since the reins of managership were taken over by fiery little Jimmy Dykes, today gave indication that they are well on the way to another of their well known strings of triumphs by scoring the fifth consecutive victory of their current home stay.

The Detroit Tigers and Tommy Bridges were the victims of a 2-1 setback administered by the Hose. It was a brilliant game, resolving into a pitchers' duel after each team dented the rubber once in the opening frame. The White Sox combed the offerings of Bridges for four hits and played errorless ball, while the Tigers managed to nick Dungan Rigney for three safeties and were charged with one error.

Rosenthal's single with Appling on third base in the ninth inning won the game for the Chisox.

In the National League, the Chicago Cubs beat the Philadelphia Phillies by 4-3 last night in the first of the Owl Games.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	1	3	1
Chicago	2	4	0

Batteries: Bridges, Corisca and Tebbetts; Rigney and Tresh.

Cleveland-St. Louis night game.

No other games scheduled.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

(Night Game)

Chicago	4	15	1
Philadelphia	3	14	1

Batteries: Root, Olsen, Page and Todd; Muloahy, Atwood and Warren.

New York-St. Louis night game.

No other games scheduled.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	17	8	.680
Cleveland	17	10	.630
Detroit	15	14	.500
Chicago	14	16	.467
Washington	13	15	.464
Philadelphia	12	16	.429
New York	12	16	.429
St. Louis	10	15	.400

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati	18	8	.692
Brooklyn	18	8	.692
New York	15	11	.577
Chicago	16	13	.552
Philadelphia	10	13	.435
Boston	8	14	.364
St. Louis	8	17	.320
Pittsburgh	6	17	.261

—United Press.

Surreys Win with Faultless Play

Jelly Leads Side to 8-0 Victory Over Aurorians In Mini-Soccer League

Playing faultless football, the Surreys won the championship of Section B of the 1st Division when they trounced a weak Aurorians side by the score of 8-0 in a senior mini-soccer engagement at the Aurora University field yesterday afternoon. The man of the game was, without doubt, Jelly, for not only was he there to stem the Aurorians' attacks, he scored four of his side's goals. The Aurorians' defence played well in the face of such forwards as the Surreys possess, but their forward line, crippled by non-appearance of Karolitch and Foyn, was completely disorganized, while Roboostoff was too closely watched to be of any great danger.

Surreys: Morris, Arnold, Kinsella, Jelly, Williams, McClarty, Parr.

Aurorians: Wolfin, J. T. Hui, Walter, T. I. Wang, S. C. Chang, Roboostoff, T. T. Yoh.

Fast Attack

The Surreys opened the game with a fast attack upon the Collegians' goal and Wolfin saved a point-blank shot from McClarty. The soldiers had the things very much their way and, but for the sterling keeping of Wolfin, would have scored on several occasions. J. T. Hui scored the first goal when he shot the ball back to the goalie. Wolfin was out of the goal and the ball rolled into the empty net. A few minutes later, Jelly dribbled through and beat Wolfin from a few feet out. The Surreys continued to press, but no more goals were scored in the half.

The Aurorians were again fighting with their backs to the goal in the second half, but good work by T. I. Wang and Walter kept the raiders at bay. The strain, however, was too much for them and in the twentieth minute Jelly added another point for his team. Parr followed with a goal when Walter stopped the ball and allowed the Surreys' winger to kick it out from under his foot for the fourth goal. T. I. Wang was responsible for the fifth goal when he handled the ball in the dreaded area. A penalty was awarded against the Aurorians and Kinsella scored after a retake was ordered when Wolfin moved. The Collegians fell apart after this goal and McClarty lengthened the score to 6-0. Jelly came through with two goals more, the last one scored a minute before the end.

Tennis Dates Rearranged

Wimbledon, May 24.

Rearranged dates for tennis matches are July 19 and 30.—Reuter.

Hongkong Soccer XI Victorious

Get Off Clipper Plane to Trounce Philippines All-Star Team by 4-3

Manila, May 24.

The Eastern Athletic Football Club of Hongkong proved unaffected by a Clipper trip from the Colony to this city early this morning, taking the field a few hours after their arrival to defeat the Philippine All Star team by a score of 4-3. The score at half-time stood at 2-0 in favour of Hongkong. The game was deadlocked throughout the first 28 minutes of play during which both sides initiated sparkling movements and made brilliant defensive manœuvres to prevent scoring.

Hachinto broke the ice for the Colony in the 29th minute, while a few moments later Hongkong crashed through with another goal from the toe of Chang Kam-hoy.

Score Tied

Four seconds after the start of the second half, Alberto Larrazabal, Philippines centre-forward, broke through to score. He repeated this performance a few moments later to knot the count in the third minute.

Chang Kam-hoy broke the tie and enabled Hongkong to regain the lead. The Colony increased the margin to 4-2 when, three minutes left to play, Hachinto again reached the net with a fine shot.

Manila's final goal was scored in the closing seconds when Larrazabal completed his hat-trick with his third goal of the period.

The final game will be played tomorrow night at the Rizal Memorial Stadium, after which the Philippines team will immediately board the Empress of Asia in order to compete in the Tokyo Memorial Games scheduled during the first weeks of June.—United Press.

French Forces in 4-0 Victory

Kien Chan Put Up Good Fight Before Losing in Mini-Soccer League

Scoring two goals in each half, the French Forces won their last game of the season when they defeated Kien Chan by four clear goals at Aurora yesterday. The final score should not be taken as an indication that the game was one-side, for the Chinese contested every minute of play and only poor shooting by their forwards was the reason of their failure. Collet, as usual, was the mainstay of the French defence and the Kien Chan players found it almost impossible to pass him.

French Forces: Levy, Vinh, Roussel, Collet, Lebras, Heloyan, Sinh.

Kien Chan: H. C. Woo, K. C. Liu, K. W. Shiao, W. Lee, C. W. Ho, P. F. Chow, C. S. Wong.

The French kicked off with the sun and a pretty combination between Lebras and Heloyan was spoiled by the latter by kicking wild within a few yards. C. W. Ho, the Chinese left-winger, gave the French goalie a fright with a drive which went just a few inches high. The game was fairly even until in the 15th minute, Lebras forced a corner, from which Vinh scored with a header for the first goal. Exactly a minute later, Sinh increased the score with a grounder after he had received a timely pass from Collet. The Chinese threw another chance to the winds when C. W. Ho missed a sitter with the French goalie out of position.

Miskicked Completely

The Chinese had the better of the exchanges at the beginning of the second half and for some minutes the French defence fought hard to keep the opposing forwards from scoring. P. F. Chow had a good chance to decrease the margin after he had received a pass from W. Lee, but he miskicked completely and the ball went out of play.

W. Lee was also responsible for a loss of a goal when he beat the entire French defence and tapped softly to the keeper. The French finally broke the Chinese attack and Lebras streaked down the line, cutting in to score. K. W. Shiao, in his attempt to stop the winger, pushed him from behind and a penalty was given to the French. Collet gave the Chinese goalie no chance with a well-placed shot. A few minutes before the end, Heloyan made the victory certain when he scored into an empty net after the goalie had left his charge to meet the forward.

Chinese Athletes to Arrive Here Today

On Way to Tokyo for Big Athletic Meeting

Sixty Chinese athletes will arrive in Shanghai from Nanking this afternoon on their way to Tokyo where they will compete in the forthcoming East Asia Athletic Meet, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday morning.

They will sail for Japan at 8 a.m. tomorrow aboard the ss. Taiyo Maru.

Mayor Fu Siao-en of Greater Shanghai will entertain the Chinese athletic delegation at a tea party at the Railway Hotel at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, the daily said.

Of the athletes, 54 represent North China, one is from Shanghai, three from Nanking, one from Chekiang and one from Kiangsu. The party will be accompanied by 20 officials, the "Tairiku" said.

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Heave-Ho—Tug-of-War Champions

The powerful Seaforth Highlanders' team dragged all opposition to defeat in the Police Sports held yesterday afternoon at the Race Course.

Brisk Batting, Good Bowling

Bright Cricket Seen as President's Side Win Match; Sinclair Knocks Up 63 Quickly

SOME bright and entertaining cricket was seen on the Shanghai Cricket Club ground yesterday afternoon when the S.C.C. President's XI defeated the S.C.C. Vice-President's side by the narrow margin of two wickets after a close and interesting game. The losers knocked up the good score of 181 in their innings but the winners passed this total for the loss of only eight wickets and then went on to amass 197 for the complete innings.

Brisk batting and good bowling backed up by high-standard fielding was the order of the day and the crowd on hand was able to witness the first of the season's "brighter" efforts in the way of the summer game.

Archie Sinclair, for the Vice-President's XI, scored a delightful 63 in fairly quick time. He was hard on all the bowlers opposing him and was playing in mid-season form. His timing was rarely at fault and it seemed at one period that he was set for a really huge innings. His dismissal came as a surprise for he appeared to display complete mastery over the attack. Fairbairn played another very useful innings, while Duckitt and Lingard both exceeded the twenty mark in good knocks. For the winners, Orr employed the long-handle to good effect to knock the attack to all parts of the field until he was fooled by Chadwick. Marshal, too, played a lively innings until the same bowler had him caught in his trap.

Taking first innings, the Vice-Presidents XI did not begin too well, four batsmen being sent back to the pavilion for only forty of which Fairbairn contributed 27. With Sinclair and Duckitt together, however, matters took on a different aspect and things looked brighter. By dint of some forcing play and clever running between the wickets this pair took the score to 115 before Duckitt was deceived by Mellor. Sinclair then passed his fifty and was not retired until the total had reached 130 and his personal score 63. Out of 101 scored during his tenure of the crease, the outgoing bat totalled well over half, his chief hits being ten fours.

Sluis was brilliantly caught in the slips by one of the ground boys off Mellor, while the same bowler disposed of Underwood at 146. Thanks to Lingard the tail wagged to good effect and the board read 181 before he was caught by Fletcher off Marsay.

Slow Stuff

Seven bowlers were pulled into the attack with varying degrees of success, Mellor's slow stuff claiming the most victims, his three wickets being secured at a cost of only 22 runs.

The President's XI, in reply to the formidable total facing them, made a distinctly good beginning, Cornfield and Marsay adding 28 before they were sent back. Edwards and Booth made minor contributions to the total but four wickets were down for 62. At this point "Peanut" Marshall, verbose as usual, and Orr came together. They banged the attack all over the place, the latter especially dealing out severe punishment to the bowlers. Sluis took the worst lacing of the lot, his first two overs costing no less than 32 runs, most of which were scored by Orr. Orr finally left at 139 after an exhilarating knock, being splendidly caught by Stokes at deep square-leg off the wily Chadwick for 47, including one six and seven fours. Off the next ball, Marshall fell a victim to the same combination and six partnerships had thus been broken up for 139. Mellor and Fletcher, however, quickly decided the issue and passed the Vice-President's total with two wickets still intact. The innings was played out and the winners were not retired until their total had reached 197.

Chadwick fared best of the attackers, his slow breaks being responsible for the removal of three batsmen at the trifling cost of 13 runs.

Sinclair gave a fine exhibition behind the sticks and on his display yesterday is likely to prove a thorn to all other sides in local competition this year.

S.C.C. Vice-President's XI

P. V. Simpson, c. Wood, b. Fletcher	2
J. E. Fairbairn, run out	27
L. F. Stokes, c. Edwards, b. Fletcher	2
P. J. Hart, l.b.w. b. Orr	1
A. C. Sinclair, c. Marsay, b. Mellor	63
E. R. Duckitt, b. Mellor	23
E. J. Sluis, c. sub, b. Mellor	4
L. Underwood, b. Orr	7
A. Lingard, c. Fletcher, b. Marsay	21
G. J. Read, b. Cornfield	7
W. V. K. Chadwick, not out	1
Extras	23
Total	181

Fall of Wickets:—1-3 (Simpson), 2-17 (Stokes), 3-29 (Hart), 4-40 (Fairbairn), 5-115 (Duckitt), 6-130 (Sinclair), 7-130 (Sluis), 8-146 (Underwood), 9-169 (Read), 10-181 (Lingard).

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fletcher	8	1	35	2
Orr	8	1	35	2
Booth	7	1	34	0
Wood	3	0	18	0
Mellor	5	0	22	3
Cornfield	2	0	6	1
Marsay	7	0	8	1

Cornfield bowled one wide.

S.C.C. President's XI

J. Cornfield, c. Chadwick, b. Stokes	19
W. Marsay, b. Stokes	9
R. W. Edwards, b. Duckitt	13
F. Marshall, c. Stokes, b. Chadwick	39
R. Booth, c. Read, b. Duckitt	9
H. E. Orr, c. Stokes, b. Chadwick	47
T. Wood, c. Sinclair, b. Duckitt	3
C. H. Mellor, b. Sluis	27
G. T. Gambling, c. Read, b. Chadwick	0
J. Fletcher, not out	24
J. D. Sayle, st. Sinclair, b. Underwood	2
Extras	4
Total	197

Fall of wickets:—1-28 (Cornfield), 2-28 (Marsay), 3-42 (Edwards), 4-62 (Booth), 5-139 (Orr), 6-139 (Marshall), 7-162 (Wood), 8-163 (Gambling), 9-194 (Mellor), 10-197 (Sayle).

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Duckitt	11	1	76	3
Stokes	4	1	21	2
Read	6	0	38	0
Sluis	3	0	35	1
Chadwick	3	0	13	3
Underwood	14	0	10	1

Mini-Soccer Today

The following is the Mini-Soccer programme for today:—

Semi-Final for 2nd Division Championship.—11.00 a.m. J.R.C.—Synagogue; 12.45 p.m. Russ. Club—C.F.T.

Section B—1st Division.—2 p.m. Paramount—Three Cultures.

Section A—1st Division.—3.30 p.m. Lido—A.S.F.

Overlin-Garcia Sign For Return Bout

New York, May 24.

Mike Jacobs, promoter of last night's Madison Square Garden bout in which Ken Overlin wrested the world's middleweight championship from Ceferino Garcia, declared this morning that in accordance with the terms of an agreement signed by Overlin, the two fighters will meet in a return bout on September 12, with Overlin's newly-acquired laurels at stake. In signing for the Garcia fight, Overlin agreed to give the Filipino a return bout within 90 days in the event Garcia was beaten.—United Press.

Cycling Champion Loses Wife

Children Also Lost in Trip from Belgium to Paris Under Warplanes

Paris, May 24.

The tragedies among Belgium's civilian refugees have extended to all walks of life, and the sporting world has not been without its tragedies.

Today's sensation was the arrival in Paris after days of cycling of the Belgian champion cyclist Jean Aerts, who after his arrival here, immediately began inquiring for his wife and two children, whom he sent on ahead of him in a car from Ghent.

Aerts, who is the most popular among European bicyling champions, put his family on a car at Ghent and then started to Paris on an old rat-tletrap bicycle.

Along the route to Paris, Aerts found a nameless baby who had been slightly wounded by a flying bomb fragment. With improvised methods, Aerts strapped the infant on his back and rode the rest of the way to Normandy and then to Paris carrying the restless, howling infant.—United Press.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Don't Fool; 2, Slippery Sam.
Also ran:—Good Magic, Princeton, Mr. Ching, Vita Spermin.
6 lengths.—Time, 18.44.
Win, 8.60. Forecast 6-1 Div. $85.40.
Place, 1st $7.80; 2nd $13.50.

2—440 yd. flat.—1, Mr Cocotte; 2, Dopey.
Also ran:—Grayzeb, Bright Jest, Peony, Follow Me.
½ length.—Time, 27.22.
Win, $28.20. Forecast 6-2 Div. $213.30.
Place, 1st $15.30; 2nd $13.50.
Double Event 1/2 6-6 Div. $24.80.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Messenger Boy; 2, Shanghai Shroff.
Also ran:—Lady Ruby, Pearl's Pet, Triumphant Tom, Great Romeo.
5 lengths.—Time, 26.67.
Win, $11.60. Forecast 2-1 Div. $91.80.
Place, 1st $8.90; 2nd $18.40.
Double Event 2/3 6-2 Div. $43.30.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Swance; 2, Black Opal.
Also ran:—Son Mei, Wild Harmony, Don Juan, Pearl's Pride.
4 lengths.—Time. 30.31.
Win, $23.50. Forecast 1-5 Div. $86.30.
Place, 1st $9.90; 2nd $7.90.
Double Event 3/4 2-1 Div. $31.10.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Flintship; 2, Celadon.
Also ran:—Young Talgai, Adam's Ruin, Great Rascal Open Blade.
½ length.—Time, 30.31.
Win, $32.30. Forecast 3-4 Div. $168.20.
Place, 1st $20.10; 2nd $20.50.
Double Event 4/5 1-3 Div. $89.30.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Shanghai Bill; 2, Top Notcher.
Also ran:—Wild Jack, Mac Queen, Old Chap, Grey Vulcan.
5 lengths.—Time. 29.96.
Win, $40. Forecast 4-6 Div. $276.50.
Place, 1st $18.80; 2nd $13.40.
Double Event 5/6 3-4 Div. $109.80.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Radio; 2, O. I. C.
Also ran:—Olympia, Royal Rank, Chop Stick, Shanghai Mist.
A neck.—Time, 30.26.
Win, $16.40. Forecast 2-1 Div. $59.40.
Place, 1st $9.60; 2nd $10.90.
Double Event 6/7 4-2 Div. $49.30.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Fresh Brew; 2, Esquire.
Also ran:—Woodstock Warrior, Instructor, Glenapp, Felicity.
2½ length.—Time, 29.81.
Win, $43.70. Forecast 5-1 Div. $140.30.
Place, 1st $17.80; 2nd $13.20.
Double Event 7/8 2-5 Div. $51.40.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Theydon Bois; 2, Hopalong.
Also ran:—Lavondale, Grand Sort, Starting Price, Don't Fuss.
1½ length.—Time, 30.16.
Win, $30.80. Forecast 5-3 Div. $135.30.
Place, 1st $13.20; 2nd $23.40.
Double Event 8/9 5-5 Div. $143.70.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Dusty Miller; 2, Cute Viscount.
Also ran:—Bellrock, Funny Business, Sans Parole, Woodstock Ivan.
1 length.—Time, 29.84.
Win, $12.40. Forecast 4-2 Div. $36.60.
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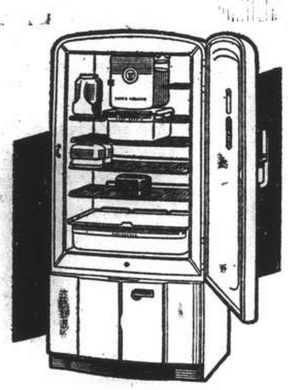

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Recs Search for Cricket Talent

Ample Found as Large Number Turn Out for Intra-Club Match

On the Recs' ground yesterday afternoon no less than 26 S.R.C. cricketers turned out in an effort to discover new talent for the 1940 season and at the same time to assist the Club's selectors in picking the Tyros and Colts XIs that will don the Recs' colours this summer.

Two sides were formed and the Vice-President's team were able to defeat the President's by the close margin of 24 runs, the winners running up 169 and disposing of their opponents for 145.

C. J. Smith, captaining the winners, scored a well-executed 64 although he should have been out for a smaller score, a couple of difficult chances blemishing an otherwise perfect knock. He reached the tapes five times during his stay at the crease and his knock seemed to indicate that he has again found the form that a few years ago made him such a terror to the opposing attack. Apart from Smith and Quincey, who scored a nice 34, none of the batsmen on the Vice-President's side showed up at all well. Leriou was in brilliant form behind the wickets for the losers and claimed five victims, three by the stumping route and two by smartly taken catches.

Nine Bowlers

Nine bowlers were thrown into the attack against the winners, Madar and Kermani sharing the honours with three wickets apiece for 22 and 23 runs respectively.

The President's team made a chaotic beginning, losing their first two wickets without a run having been recorded. Leriou and Kermani, indeed, were the only batsmen who could do anything of note against the bowlers. The former scored a most invaluable 45 before S. F. Shroff clean bowled him, while Kermani knocked up a well-played 42. Of the remainder of the side, Brodd alone reached double figures and he was undefeated at the close with 15 to his credit. Mr. Extras made a useful contribution of 24.

Harris, bowling fast at times but without much command of length, was difficult to score from and he claimed four victims for 17 runs. He hit the stumps thrice and made a remarkable catch off his own bowling to dispose of Master. S. F. Shroff secured three wickets for 35 while his brother disposed of the two opening bats.

Vice-President's Side

D. F. Harris, c. Symons, b. Kermani	7
A. McCorkindale, l.b.w., b. Symons	10
L. P. Quincey, c. Grundt, b.P. Madar	34
S. F. Shroff, c. Anderson, b. Kliene	9
E. N. Caro, c. Leriou, b. Pettit	1
R. F. Shroff, c. Symons, b. Kermani	7
V. Evans, c. Grundt, b. Madar	2
C. J. Smith, st. Leriou, b. Symons	64
T. Katemopulos, st. Leriou, b. P. Madar	0
M. Mingozzi, b. Brodd	5
A. England, st. Leriou, b. Kermani	0
W. Halford, c. Leriou, b. Master	6
E. Tivoniuk, b. P. Madar	9
J. A. Davis, not out	6
Extras	9
Total	169

Fall of Wickets:—1-7 (Harris), 2-30 (McCorkindale), 3-60 (S. F. Shroff), 4-70 (Quincey), 5-74 (Caro), 6-76 (R. F. Shroff), 7-86 (Evans), 8-86 (Katemopulos), 9-92 (England), 10-104 (Mingozzi), 11-111 (Halford), 12-139 (Tivoniuk), 13-169 (Smith).

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Symons	10	—	57	2
Kermani	6	1	23	3
Kliene	3	0	14	1
Graybrook	2	0	12	0
Madar	7	0	22	3
Pettit	1	0	1	1
Master	3	0	11	1
Brodd	2	0	15	1
Mohideen	2	0	7	0

Symons bowled one wide
Graybrook bowled two wides.

President's Side

D. J. Graybrook, b. R. F. Shroff	0
J. Leriou, b. S. F. Shroff	45
A. A. Kliene, l.b.w. b. R. F. Shroff	0
E. Grundt, b. Harris	3
F. Kermani, c. S. F. Shroff, b. Quincey	42
J. H. Anderson, b. S. F. Shroff	1
P. Madar, b. Harris	9
A. Symons, b. S. F. Shroff	1
P. Master, c. & b. Harris	2
V. Mohideen, b. Harris	1
E. B. Brodd, not out	15
A. W. Pettit, b. Tivoniuk	2
Extras	24
Total	145

Fall of Wickets:—10- (Graybrook), 2-0 (Kliene), 3-13 (Grundt), 4-79 (Kermani), 5-99 (Anderson), 6-112 (Leriou), 7-115 (Symons), 8-119 (Madar), 9-122 (Mohideen), 10-125 (Master), 11-152 (Pettit).

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. F. Shroff	5	1	11	2
E. Tivoniuk	3.3	0	16	1
D. Harris	5	0	17	4
J. A. Davis	3	0	22	0
S. F. Shroff	7	0	35	3
L. P. Quincey	3	0	20	1

COMPARATIVE FOOD PRICES

Average prices obtaining on May 24, 1940. H.—Hongkew Market and shops in Hongkew District W.—Seymour Road Market and shops in Western District F.C.—Markets and shops in the French Concession.

	Unit	H.	W.	F.C.
Beef				
Rib Roast	lb.	1.80	1.65	1.60
Rump Steak	,,	2.00	1.80	1.60
Sirloin Roast	,,	2.30	1.80	2.50
Soup Meat	,,	0.80	0.80	0.90
Suet	,,	1.00	1.00	0.70
Mutton				
Lamb Chops	lb.	1.30	1.30	1.40
Shoulder	,,	1.10	1.00	1.40
Pork				
Lard	lb.	0.90	0.90	1.12
Leg	,,	1.50	1.20	0.80
Loin	,,	1.35	1.00	1.28
Shoulder	,,	1.40	1.20	1.28
Veal				
Cutlets	lb.	2.20	1.80	—
Buffalo	lb.	1.00	0.90	0.90
Prepared Meat				
Bacon (Local)	lb.	1.40	1.70	1.50
Ham (Local), Foreign Style)	,,	2.10	2.30	1.60
Ham (Chinese)	,,	—	1.64	1.40
Salted Pork	,,	1.00	1.04	0.85
Fish				
Carp	lb.	0.90	0.60	0.65
Cod	,,	0.55	0.55	0.60
Eel	,,	0.60	0.45	0.80
Mandarin	,,	1.10	0.90	1.00
Prawns	each	0.22	0.23	0.20
Salmon	lb.	0.90	0.55	—
Soles (Ningpo)	,,	0.55	0.55	0.50
Soles (Shanghai)	,,	0.65	0.65	0.50
Yellow	,,	0.35	0.28	0.24
Salted Fish				
Herring	lb.	0.55	0.40	0.50
Ribbon Fish	,,	0.35	0.65	0.45
Salmon	,,	0.45	0.40	0.50
Poultry Game Eggs				
Chicken	lb.	1.40	1.30	1.40
Duck	each	2.20	3.50	3.00
Eggs	doz.	1.00	1.14	1.20
Fruit				
Apples (Far East)	lb.	0.50	0.45	0.50
Bananas	,,	0.50	0.28	0.60
Lemons	each	0.60	0.50	0.80
Oranges (Mandarin)	lb.	1.00	1.00	—
Oranges (Imported)	,,	1.80	1.50	0.90
Pears (Far East)	,,	0.40	0.35	0.70
Vegetables				
Bamboo Shoots	lb.	0.35	0.50	0.30
Beans (French)	,,	0.60	0.80	0.35
Beetroot	,,	0.20	0.40	0.13
Cabbage (Fresh)	,,	0.25	0.30	0.07
Cabbage (Salted)	,,	0.15	0.20	0.12
Carrots	,,	0.40	0.50	0.18
Onions (Ordinary)	,,	0.20	0.50	0.16
Potatoes (Ordinary)	,,	0.12	0.14	0.14
Potatoes (Sweet)	,,	0.13	0.20	—
Spinach	,,	0.10	0.15	0.06
Tomatoes	,,	1.00	1.20	0.80
Turnips	,,	0.12	0.15	0.12
Grocery				
Coffee (Loose)	lb.	2.40	2.20	2.20
Flour (Australian)	,,	0.40	0.40	0.37
Flour (Chinese)	,,	0.30	0.28	0.28
Macaroni (Foreign)	,,	0.85	0.90	0.75
Noodles	,,	0.28	0.28	0.28
Salt (Table)	,,	0.26	0.28	0.20
Salt (Coarse)	,,	0.20	0.18	0.18
Sugar (Taikoo)	,,	0.75	0.95	0.82
Sugar (Holland)	,,	0.56	0.65	0.63
Tea (Chinese)	,,	2.60	3.35	3.50
Oil & Bean Curd				
Bean Curd	each	0.10	0.08	0.08
Salad Oil	lb.	1.50	3.40	0.84
Soya Oil	,,	0.08	0.64	0.80
Milk Butter Bread				
Milk, Fresh, Grade "A" (T.T.)	pint	0.70	0.65	—
Milk, Fresh, Grade "A"	,,	0.60	0.62	0.65
Milk, Fresh, Grade "B"	,,	0.40	0.43	—
Milk (Condensed)	tin	1.90	2.50	2.70
Butter (Australian)	lb.	6.40	6.10	6.20
Margarine (Local)	,,	2.00	1.80	1.90
Bread (1st Quality)	,,	0.50	0.53	0.55
Bread (2nd Quality)	,,	0.40	0.40	0.40
Soaps				
Toilet	each	0.50	0.48	0.40
Washing	lb.	0.80	0.53	0.44
Rice				
Foreign	lb.	0.30	0.28	0.27
Coal & Fuel				
Anthracite (Indo-China)	ton	220.00	226.00	200.00
Kitchen Coal	,,	260.00	250.00	276.00
Briquettes	tan	7.60	8.00	8.00
Charcoal	,,	15.00	11.25	14.00
Firewood	bundle	0.25	0.35	0.50
Kerosene	liter	0.90	0.77	0.88

Refugee Number Decreases

Crime Situation in Settlement Well in Hand, Report Shows

In his monthly report for April, the Commissioner of the Shanghai Municipal Police states that 2,688 cases of crime, which include 257 cases brought to light by police investigations, were dealt with by the S.M.P. during the period under review. Arrests made in connection with complicity in armed crime, totalled 99, and sixteen firearms together with a quantity of ammunition were seized.

The number of refugee camps in the Settlement was reduced from 24 to 18 during the month under review, about 26,983 refugees being accommodated there. In March there were 29,888 refugees who lived in camps established in the Settlement.

Pickpockets were responsible for 147 cases reported to the police, while 66 persons were arrested in connection with 36 shoplifting offences in "A" Division.

Of the 237 bicycles stolen during the month, 65 were recovered while 90 arrests were made in connection with these thefts.

The Headquarters Narcotic Section carried out fifteen raids, arresting 90 persons in connection with offences investigated by this branch of the police, while 52 narcotic cases were investigated by police station staffs, and 204 persons were arrested in connection therewith. In all, 78¼ oz. of opium, and 28½ oz. of heroin were seized together with 72 opium pipes.

Of property stolen valued at $593,284.98, no less than $155,103.53 was recovered. A female foreigner, and seventeen male, fifteen female Chinese committed suicide during the month.

Labour trouble was again reported during the month under review since ten strikes, involving 3,911 workers and resulting in the loss of 9,456 working days, occurred in the Settlement. Six other strikes, involving 2,170 workers and a loss of 6,430 working days affected both the Settlement and the French Concession.

Criminal Cases Increase

A total of 354 criminal cases was reported in the Settlement during the week ending Saturday, showing an increase of 46 cases over the previous week, according to the weekly report issued by the S.M.P. yesterday.

The more important cases reported during the week under review were as follows: Armed robbery, including three attempts, 19; burglary, house-breaking, etc., 18; snatching 18; pocketpicking 22; larceny 196; gambling 6 and opium cases 14.

There was a decrease in the number of arrests during the week, the total number being 458, showing a decrease of 36 over the figures of the previous week.

Arrests made in connection with various offences were as follows: Armed robbery 15; burglary, breaking 13; snatching 15; pocketpicking 18; larceny 153; gambling 62 and opium cases 46.

James West, talented juvenile who appears as Akim Tamiroff's son in Paramount's "The Way of All Flesh," was prominent on the stage in San Francisco, where he was discovered for pictures.

British Trade Mission May Go to Moscow

Sir Stafford Cripps Cited As Possible Leader

London, May 25.

The sending to Moscow of a British trade mission is being seriously considered, it was learned in London.

It is probable, however, that the mission will not leave until the emissary—probably Sir Stafford Cripps—has prepared the ground in London by conversations, which may deal with political as well as economic questions.

The Soviet reply to the proposed appointment of Sir Stafford has not yet been received, but it is probable that it will be favourable, as the Soviet Government is chiefly concerned with the extent of the powers to be granted to the head of the mission, rather than who the leader is. Sir Stafford, it is said, has apparently been assured that the powers he will be granted will be broad.

Meanwhile, it is learned that negotiations have been opened with Italy. The negotiations are dealing mainly with economic questions, but are also aiming at a solution of the control of the Mediterranean which will satisfy Britain while still lifting restrictions somewhat in an effort to appease Rome. British circles are, however, extremely reserved over these negotiations.—Havas.

Hongkew Bus Fares To Be Increased

With bus fares in the French Concession and the International Settlement already increased by 50 per cent., the Central China Urban Transport Company, sole bus company operating north of the creek, will raise its bus fares from June 1, the "Tairiku Shimpo reported yesterday.

The sudden rise in the price of petrol and other items was the reason given for the increase in bus rates, the paper was informed. The method by which fares will be increased will be by shortening the zones in a single route and increasing the number of zones in one route, the paper declared. It added that fares will continue to be five sen for a single zone.

YOUNG Lord Cranbrook, the newly-appointed second in command of the Eastern Civil Defence Region, has a punning family motto. His family name is Gathorne-Hardy, and the motto is "Armed with hardy faith."

Germans Bomb British Lightship

Heavy Casualties Suffered By Mine-Layer

London, May 24.

The British lightship East Dudgeon was bombed by a German plane at a point thirty miles off the coast of Lincolnshire. It is not known whether any damage was done.—Havas.

36 Men Missing

London, May 25.

Casualties on the minelayer Princess Victoria, which was sunk on May 21, total four officers and 32 ratings missing and presumed dead, and seven officers and three ratings wounded, according to an announcement by the Admiralty. Casualties include Capt. J. B. E. Hall.—Reuter.

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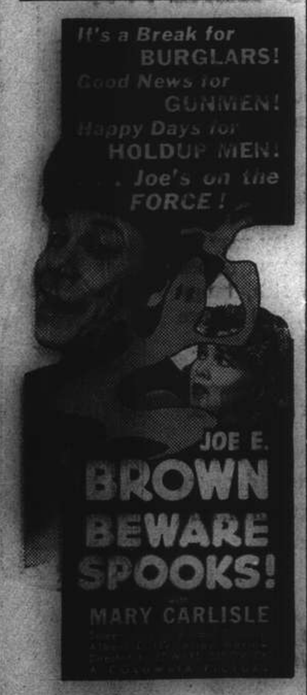

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IN PARENTHESIS

Ambushed

A young lady visited a training camp somewhere in England. On arriving she asked a young private if the sergeant was engaged.

"Well he is rather busy, but he is always pleased to see pretty girls like you."

"Will you please tell him his wife wants to see him," replied the visitor coldly.

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Nerves

A TUGGETY old salt had been watching, for some time a few small children playing perilously near the edge of the pier.

Suddenly he chased them, caught one and thrashed him.

A passer-by, seeing his action, questioned him about it.

"Well," he said, "'tain't as if I care a hang whether they fall in or not; but it's the darned uncertainty about it that I can't stand."

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Chestnut Choice

SOLDIERS do like to yarn. Three of them were talking about absent-mindedness.

"You know," said one, "my brother is so absent-minded that he went to mount his cycle and fell off because it wasn't there."

"What about my brother?" chimed in the second Tommy, with a chestnut: "He was so absent-minded that he put the cat to bed, and shut himself out for the night."

"That's nothing," replied the third. "My father once struck a match to see if he'd blown the candle out!"

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Embarrassed

A LADY had arranged for her husband to ring her up in the evening at a certain time, at a public call kiosk.

She went down to the call-box in the black-out, and when she was about half a dozen yards from the box, she heard the telephone bell ring.

She hurried, and when she opened the door she found a courting couple inside.

"Come out of the way," she cried, "that's my husband." (meaning the phone call).

The girl, embarrassed, replied meekly. "I'm ever so sorry. He didn't tell me he was married."

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Beer Sign

AN advance party of Australians arrived at a mined village, where they hoped there would be vin blanc or something else to be salvaged, as a change from the everlasting tea.

There was not a drop of comfort in the place so they went down to the river, determined to inflict a share of their disappointment on others.

They put up a huge board and painted a pointing arrow and, in giant white letters, the words "Beer! Beer!"

Other units passing that way cheered when they came in sight of the notice, only to find when they reached the board, in minute letters, "Can be obtained in all the leading hotels of Australia. Follow the traffic arrow 10,000 miles due south-east."

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Man in a Pub

"To cut a long story short," said The Man in the Local, "my son told the colonel just what he thought of him. Of course, my son's only a private, but he won't be that for long, you mark my words. He's got his head screwed on the right way, and he won't stand no nonsense from nobody, colonel or no colonel. In that respect he takes after his mother. I think you met my wife in here?"

We said we could not remember having the pleasure.

"Oh, yes you have," said The Man. "Why, you were introduced to her in here last Wednesday. Or was it Thursday?"

We explained that as we could not remember meeting The Man's wife we could hardly be expected to remember the day.

"No, I'm a liar," said The Man. "It was a Friday, because I remember we had fish for dinner. Not that we're strict about fish on Fridays, being Church of England, but my wife had blown up the butcher on the Thursday, and we thought we'd try fish for a change. And a lovely bit of fish it was, too, just cooked to a turn with a drop of shrimp sauce and a dab of mashed done with milk and butter. That's the way my wife always does mashed, rationing or no rationing, and it eats very nice with a bit of fish. Of course, I know there are some people who can't eat fish, like my daughter Vi. I think you've met my daughter Vi?"

We thought we would save an argument by saying yes we had.

"No, I'm a liar," said The Man. "It's my unmarried daughter Marge who can't eat fish, and it's Vi who can't eat eggs. One egg and Vi's sick for a month, and as for fish, why, my daughter Marge wouldn't give you a thank you for it, especially as she nearly died of eating a bit of fried plaice. I've often said to my wife that fish may be the reason why Marge never married, though I know it sounds silly.

"But all the same, she was walking out with a nice young fellow at the time she was taken bad, and he was just about to pop the question. Well, naturally enough he came round to see how she was, and as you might expect she was looking like death warmed up, as the saying goes. Anyway, he took one look at her and went off to South Africa the next week. Ever been to South Africa?

We said no, we had never been to South Africa.

"A lovely place and a lovely climate," said The Man. "Not that I've been there myself, but my old Uncle George went there in 1892. Or was it 1893?"

We said we had no idea.

"No, I'm a liar," said The Man. "It was in 1894, because that was the year my dear old mother had her last child. And a lovely boy he was too. If you could see his photograph when he was nine months old lying naked on a rug as pretty as a picture, you'd never think he'd grow up to take to the bottle.

"But there, as I always say, he married the wrong woman. Nag, nag, nag, nag, morning, noon and night, and I suppose she drove him to it. To know all is to forgive all, as they say, and judge not lest ye be judged, as the Scriptures say. What are you going to have?"

We said we'd have the same.

"That's where you're wrong," said The Man. "You can't have the same, because you've already had it. You mean you'll have similar. Well, to cut a long story short...."

Summer Season At Peitaiho

Prices Considerably More But Prospects Excellent; 6,000 Visitors Expected

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

The usual and very natural requests for information as to the conditions obtaining just now in this delightful north China summer resort, are flowing in upon those of us who, more or less, reside in these parts, and specially from Shanghai enquirers. Here are a few examples: What money do you use and how do we get it? Is food plentiful? What foodstuffs should we bring up with us? What are the hotels charging? Can you recommend somewhere to stay economically? How do you get to the place?

In answering these questions one can only do so in a general way, as there are so many unknown factors, and the effects on this little place are but reflexes from mighty world events.

The currency is definitely F.R.B. No other Chinese money is permitted to circulate. The little exchange shops here (there are positively no banks) would probably exchange foreign currencies at a heartbreaking rate, but it is best to arrange for F.R.B. currency to be obtainable. See your Shanghai banker about this and arrange to open an account in Tientsin in this currency against which you can draw. The local exchange shops will cash Tientsin and Peiping cheques, usually at a discount of 1 per cent. from reputable people, and it is marvellous how they are able to check up on such.

The Shanghai dollar fluctuates in relation to the Tientsin dollar many times in a day and recently the Shanghai dollar has been at a considerable premium—even as high as 20 per cent. But it could quite easily be the other way round. It is all a lottery. The rate between the Tientsin dollar and the F.R.B. also fluctuates many times a day in similar manner. If one is staying as a paying guest in an hotel or elsewhere the currency in which you pay is naturally settled in advance. I am here only dealing with purely local monetary conditions. I assume you can always get from Shanghai exchange shops sufficient F.R.B. dollars to land with even if the rate is wretched and after that the cheque system can be utilized as above described.

Economic Situation

All the regular grocery stores are open, and are well stocked and expect to continue so. Their prices are approximately in the same relation as heretofore to those ruling in Shanghai and Tientsin. Everything is, however, much dearer this year. The cost of living for the Chinese having increased enormously, adjustments have to be made accordingly in their wages. A rough estimate, by and large, is an increase of 100 per cent. on the cost of running a home over last year. Hotel prices also have to go up very considerably, and it is difficult to understand how they are able to quote a fixed price at all, as food costs change almost daily and always upwards.

As to householders bringing stores from Shanghai with them they would to such extent protect themselves against both possible shortage and increased prices.

Regarding hotel charges; this is a matter for individual approach. There are so many different kinds and types that there can be no general average struck. As to where to stay, this again is a matter of individual taste and pocket. The beautiful Pine Cliff hotel is very rightly the pride of Peitaiho Beach, and is a bit of modern California transplanted. There are other good hotels and guest houses, but too numerous to mention, and how best for anyone who has no connections up here to get into touch with the one most suitable for them, I really don't know; but I would suggest such writing to Mr. W. T. Rose (himself an old Shanghai resident) c/o Rosés Agency, Peitaiho Beach telling him just what was wanted, or to the Peitaiho Agency here. Both of these agencies are fully conversant with conditions up here and are always willing to help in finding houses (and possibly hotels) for such as need them. I understand, in this connection, that this season there has been an unprecedented demand for houses and that additional hotels are opening up with the very reasonable expectancy of a bumper guest list.

Method of Transit

The two ports of entry are Tientsin (Tongku) and Chinwangtao. There are regular steamers to the former and the K.M.A. run their own ships to the latter, both from Shanghai. Chinwangtao is the better port for Peitaiho Beach which is almost next door—half an hour on the main railway line and a fifteen minute run on the Beach line being all. The K.M.A. look after their passengers upon arrival excellently, their porter being a wonder. From Tientsin (preferably from Tongku) the run is about five hours. The trains are excellent as is the service.

There is of course the all-rail route from Shanghai to Tientsin via Nanking. But information regarding this is obtainable in Shanghai. I understand that this route is cheaper than the sea route.

There are no doubt many questions I have left unanswered, but the above will give a general idea of how things are. I have just arrived here myself and am as charmed with the peace and beauty of the place as ever. The great range of mountains in the distance, the foothills and undulating country in between and the miles of golden sands along innumerable bays merging into the mighty blue ocean, cannot but be balm to any weary soul.

Variety of Amusements

For those who do not want to play golf or tournament tennis, but are content with beautiful walks, sea and sun bathing, fishing and plenty of ordinary tennis, in addition to plenty of real good loafing, then surely there can be no better place anywhere, and for children it is a veritable paradise.

With the influx of visitors there are many additional amenities: two lending libraries at least, entertainments, and if reports are correct, a cinema twice weekly. The health of the community is well taken care of by the doctors who, coming for a rest themselves, very kindly administer to the wants of the sick during their stay. Perhaps it is not realized that the summer foreign population of Peitaiho Beach runs as high as 6,000 visitors, in the heart of the season.

THE Forth Bridge, Queensferry, opened just fifty years ago, took nearly seven years to build, and cost close on £2,000,000.

Peiping "Learns" of War

Society Actually Beginning to Realize That Conflict Rages; Town Planning Scheme Out

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Peiping, May 13.

INDIFFERENT to the shocks and alarms of war in the rest of the world, Peiping continues its pleasant life quite undisturbed. The Spring Races of the Peiping Club are being held just as usual this year, and have been attended by large and care-free crowds of all nationalities. One is inclined to suspect that, even were the three continents of Europe, Africa and America all to be submerged, this sacred function would still take place. After all, is not Peiping the centre of the universe?

Indeed, up till about one month ago, there was, one gathered, no such thing as a major war going on in Europe. As long as it was only England and France that were resisting German aggression, the cosmopolitan life here carried on in perfect peace and happiness.

It was almost considered bad taste to talk about the war in public, lest such remarks should be overheard by our enemies and hurt their feelings. After all, does not our local English newspaper provide us with the most impartial news, controlled, as it is by the Japanese, assisted by German and pro-German sub-editors?

Recently, however, things have begun to change. Even society is at last beginning to wake up to the fact that there is actually a war going on. When, the other day, a certain diplomat of a till then neutral country, was given the first information that his own country had been invaded by the Germans, he exclaimed in accents of pained surprise: "But how's that! Why, that means War!" Said his informant drily: "Well, there's been a bit of a war, you know, these last eight months." And now, as one country after another is being dragged into the whirlpool, it is the nationals of those countries who are still sitting on the fence looking on, who are beginning to feel themselves in an uncomfortable and isolated minority.

Air Defence Exercises

The Japanese authorities, for their part, seem to hold the opinion that, even if Peiping is not experiencing the horrors of modern warfare in actual fact, it should at least not be allowed to forget about them. It is for that reason, doubtless, that we have been made to go through a week of strenuous air defence exercises, culminating in two nights of strict black out. The Japanese have been unable to explain against which particular country these air-raid precautions are directed or from what quarter the city is threatened by an air attack. The only result of this sudden attempt to recreate a war atmosphere is, that the Chinese public has become firmly convinced that Gen. Chiang Kai-shek must have built up a formidable air force once more. And this has cheered them up tremendously.

On the two chief days the precautionary air defence period commenced at 3 p.m. and lasted till 9 a.m. the next morning. At 9 p.m. all lights in the streets and in public and private buildings had to be extinguished or covered over with black cloth. The lamps of motor cars had to be similarly covered, though, as a matter of fact, all motor traffic was suspended between 9 p.m. and 9 a.m. The city was in complete darkness and unusually, but pleasantly, quiet during those hours.

A Japanese plane flew over the city during the blackout, making careful note of any places where a light appeared. And numerous were the Chinese shop-keepers and others who, much to their surprise, were visited next day by Japanese gendarmes and made to pay a fine—and to continue two more days of private blackout—for having failed to obey the regulations.

Zestfully Enter Drill

The air defence exercises consisted of stretcher drill, first-aid, and anti-gas precautions. The Chinese anti-air-raid Corps, that had been conscripted for the purpose, dressed in white and with masks of white cloth over their faces went through their A.R.P. drill with great zest. Indeed, the Chinese who are a nation of actors, whatever else they may be, entered thoroughly into the spirit of the thing and enjoyed themselves enormously, all the more so as no actual danger was attached to these exercises.

The victims, who were designated by certain marks, arranged beforehand, as having been hit by a bomb or poisoned by gas, threw themselves to the ground and writhed about in agony with the greatest realism, until they had received first aid and had been cried off on stretchers. There did not appear to be at any time more than a dozen stretchers, so in the real event one might have to wait quite a long time before getting to hospital. It was, however, a very fine piece of acting, as good as any Chinese play on the stage.

As a matter of plain fact, all these anti-air-raid exercises for a backward and old-fashioned city are sheer tomfoolery. Peiping with its vast area of single-storied, flimsily-built and highly inflammable houses, without cellars or bomb-proof shelters of any kind, would be a veritable death-trap in case of a serious raid from the air. All the more, as it is enclosed by a high wall, pierced only at rare intervals by narrow gates. The only sound and sensible anti-air-raid precaution would be to pull down the city walls, so as to enable the panic-stricken populace to escape freely into the open country in any direction.

Automatic Telephones

At enormous cost the telephone system is being changed to an automatic one. Although the automatic system has already been installed in several districts of the city, it is not yet working, and one still has to ring up the exchange. The change-over has now again been deferred to August 1. Seeing the number of much more important matters demanding urgent attention, such as transport facilities, sanitation and housing, it is not clear what was the particular urgency of this change in the telephone system, nor why these large sums of money should have been wasted on this comparatively unimportant alteration. Presumably the manufacturers in Japan had something to say in the matter.

Plan Come teo Nothing

The great town-planning scheme, to which repeated reference has been made, of a residential quarter to the west and an industrial quarter to the east of the city, with a broad connecting highway right through the city, as one had fully expeced, has come to nothing. The whole thing has been dropped for the time being. All that there is to show for it are two gates, one in either wall, which are kept tightly shut, and broad highways outside which lead to nowhere in particular.

It seems that, when the Japanese town-planning experts had finished drawing their beautifully-executed maps and went into the less important question of finance, it was found that the necessary funds were not available, or rather one should say, that it would have required such a large printing of F.R.B. notes, as to have seriously inflated the currency.

All the more was this likely to be the case, seeing that a large part of the building material would have had to be purchased from abroad, and that the demolition of whole sections of the city for the connecting road would have meant pulling down much property belonging to Japanese, who would naturally demand compensation. In this affair, the Chinese authorities who, much to the annoyance of their Japanese advisers, kept on putting off starting these operations, with the usual Chinese slogan *man-man-ti*, have thus been fully justified in the good old Chinese habit of putting off the evil day.

The other day the local Chinese papers carried what the Anti-British Society is pleased to call its "Monthly Report." This consisted of a list of names of those Chinese "traitors" who rent houses to Englishmen or work for them as servants or office employees. The names and occupations of their foreign seducers were also given in full in the blacklist. From this one deduces that the members of the Anti-British Society must still be getting their quota from the F.R.B. printing-press, and have still to go on justifying their existence.

Possibilities of Visiting Kuling

Authorities Unable to Say Definitely; Registration Of Property Deeds

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Kuling, May 15.

There is still little one can say about the opening of Kuling to visitors for the summer, as the local authorities are not empowered to make any definite statement on the subject, though they have expressed the hope that Third Power nationals may be allowed to come up here this year. The only thing one can suggest is that intending visitors should approach the Japanese Authorities through their respective Consuls or the nearest liaison officer and put in an early application for permission to come to Kuling.

The registration of property here—bungalows belonging to Third Power Nationals—is being done through the office of the liaison officer. Almost two-thirds of the owners have sent in photographs or photostats of their deeds, which have been duly recorded, but there are still about 100 who should be registered. Probably some of the owners are abroad or in very inaccessible places, but if they will send the necessary evidence to any of the agents here, they will in turn see that the respective properties are properly recorded in the new register.

As regards the registration of properties held by Chinese civilians, it is necessary to fill in a form supplied by the Peace Preservation Committee, and send a photostat of the deed and evidence of payment of taxes. During the past few weeks, hundreds of trees, chiefly cryptomeria cypress and larch have been planted within the former Kuling Estate to replace those cut down a year or two ago. One hears that hundreds of trees have been planted at Ta Tsai, where there is a Taoist colony to the north of Kuling, which area suffered very considerably during the early days of fighting round the Lushan.

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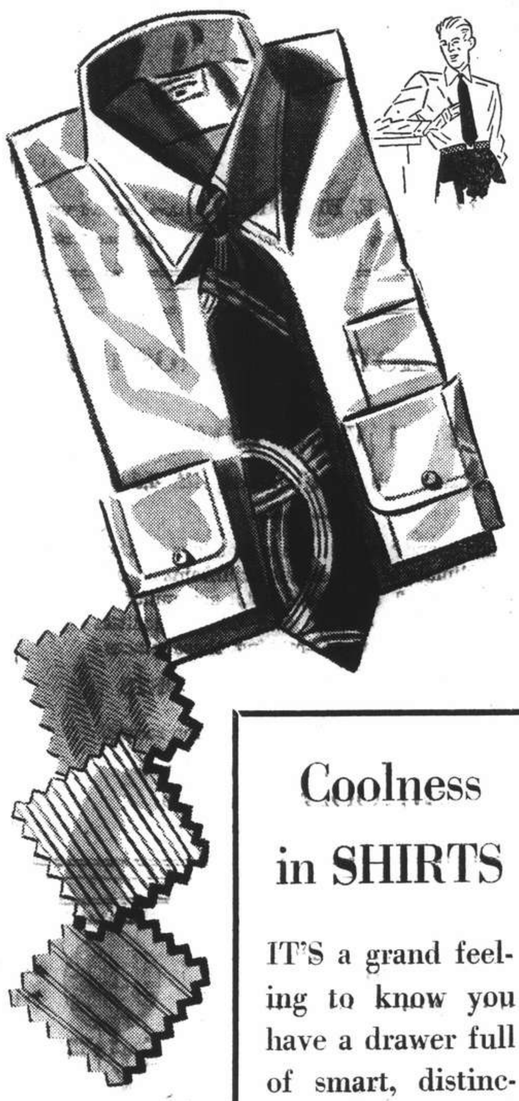

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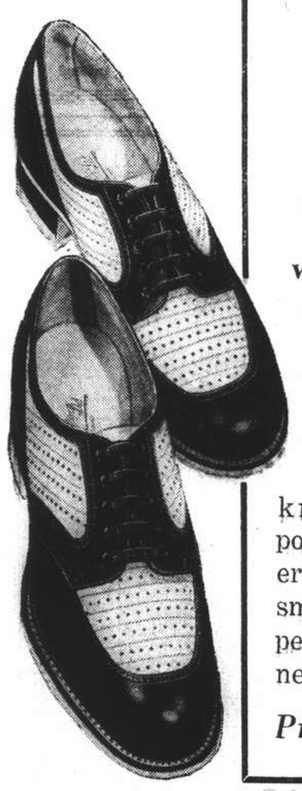

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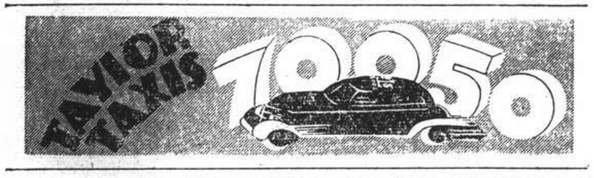

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Not in our time, not now, Lord, we beseech Thee
To grant us peace. The sword has bit too deep.

We may not rest. We hear the wail of mothers
Mourning the sons who fill some nameless grave:
Past us, in dreams, the ghosts march of our brothers
Who were most valiant....whom we could not save.

We may not rest. What though our eyes be holden,
In sleep we see dear eyes yet wet with tears,
And locks that once were, oh, so fair and golden,
Grown grey in hours more pitiless than years.

We see all fair things fouled—homes love's hands builded
Shattered to dust beside their withered vines,
Shattered the towers that once Thy sunsets gilded,
And Christ struck yet again within His shrines.

Over them hangs the dust of death, beside them
The dead lie countless—and the foe laughs still!
We may not rest, while those cruel mouths deride them,
We, who were proud, yet could not work Thy will.

We have failed—we have been more weak than these betrayers—
In strength or in faith we have failed; our pride was vain.
How can we rest, who have not slain the slayers?
What peace for us, who have seen Thy children slain?

Hark, the roar grows...the thunders reawaken—
We ask one thing, Lord, only one thing now:
Hearts high as theirs, who went to death unshaken,
Courage like theirs to make and keep their vow.

To stay not till these hosts whom mercies harden,
Who know no glory save of sword fire,
Find in our fire the splendour of Thy pardon,
Meet from our steel the mercy they desire...

Then to our children there shall be no handing
Of fares so vain—of passions so abhorred...
But peace....the Peace which passes understanding....
Not in our time...but in their time, O Lord.

—R. E. VERNEDE.

AMERICA AND THE WAR

BY SMITHSONIAN

The German invasion of Scandinavia was immediately recognized in the United States as inaugurating a new stage in the war. Whatever the reason, military opinion in the United States felt, after the first surprise was over, that Germany had committed a strategic blunder. The invasion, as well as marking a new military stage in the war, also marked a new stage in thought about the war. It brought home a more thorough realization of what Naziism really meant. The period of optimistic self-deception was at last over. It was no longer possible to retire from one comforting thought to another; opinion had its back to the wall of hard reality. At first Hitler was believed to be interested solely in rectifying the territorial losses of Versailles; then he was assumed to be striving to incorporate all peoples of the Germanic race into one fatherland. This might have had some moral justification, but further stages in the progress of Naziism showed that Hitler's horizon was still wider. The war showed his desire for domination of central and western Europe and led to the clear declaration of the Nazi belief in the Germans as a master race who had a right to be dominant over inferior peoples, such as Poles and Czechs. Such a conception did not greatly affect the United States. The invasion of Norway, however, showed that Naziism was like a cancer, the spread of which could not be confined to any area. The threat of world domination once again hung over mankind.

President Roosevelt himself put the matter with convincing clarity in an address made to the Board of the Pan American Union: "today we can have no illusions. Old dreams of universal empire are again rampant. We hear of races which claim the right of mastery. We learn of groups which insist that they have the right to impose their way of life on other nations. We encounter economic compulsions, shrewdly devised to force great areas into political spheres of influence. All this is not a mere academic interest."

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It was remarkable that the President should feel it possible to make such a statement without political risk. There has never been any doubt that the directing heads of American policy felt that the European war was far more than "a clash of rival imperialisms" or a renewal of the "age-old boundary disputes."

The first result of the Scandinavian invasion from the American point of view, therefore, was to lead to a clearer perception of what the war was about. The preliminary efforts of the German propaganda machine to condition American opinion for the shock of the invasion and excuse it, once it had been accomplished, failed completely. The Isolationists, no doubt, felt that American diplomats were often indiscreet, but they also felt equally strongly that foreigners had no business lecturing the United States by telling them so. The Scandinavian invasion, therefore, did not take place (as the Nazis hoped it would) in the midst of a vigorous Isolationist campaign in the United States.

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While the Isolationists were still trying hard to convince themselves that both sides were at fault in Scandinavia, the Administration watched cautiously. In accordance with the spirit of the Neutrality Act, their first thought was not to denounce the aggression, but to see that the spreading of the war did not involve the United States nor harm its interest.

As well as being the instrument through which Congressional foreign policy was enforced, the Administration had a foreign policy of its own, based upon an entirely different outlook. Congress believed all sides in a war should be treated the same; the Administration believed the United States should speak out when aggression had occurred. Cautiously the Administration began to act on this latter assumption. The President spoke guardedly shortly after the invasion had taken place of the potentialities of the new situation. Seven days after the invasion the President felt sufficiently sure of his ground to issue a statement fully in accordance with Administration policy without even a nod in the direction of the Congressional policy of impartiality. "Force and military aggression are once more on the march against small nations, in this instance through the invasion of Denmark and Norway." The President thus branded Germany as an aggressor power, just as he had branded Russia as an aggressor power for its invasion of Finland. (He never branded Germany as an aggressor power for its invasion of Poland). By implication the President then outlined the theory that the war was being fought by the Allied governments on behalf of the rights of small nations and for the survival of Western civilization. "If civilization is to survive," he said, "the rights of smaller nations to independence, to their territorial integrity, and to the unimpeded opportunity for self-government must be respected by their more powerful neighbours."

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The invasion of Scandinavia thus brought home to the United States its moral concern with the issue of the war by the threat which it offered to the rights of smaller nations everywhere. It also brought the war closer to the United States, not only morally, but practically, by raising the question of the future of Greenland, a Danish colony within the western hemisphere, and, therefore, within the area covered by the Monroe Doctrine. If Germany could make good its claim to Greenland the war would be brought physically much closer to the United States. If Germany attempted to occupy Greenland and the United States resisted this occupation as contrary to the Monroe Doctrine, the United States would be in the war. Said the leading Isolationist in the House of Representatives, Mr. Hamilton Fish of New York, "There is no chance whatever as long as Great Britain controls the seas for Germany to seize Greenland or Iceland or any of those distant possessions of either Denmark or Norway." For an Isolationist to admit, even indirectly, that the British navy was one of the defences of the Monroe Doctrine shows the educative effect which the Scandinavian invasion was having.

If the uncertainty of Greenland's position brought the war geographically nearer, the Trojan horse tactics of infiltration brought the threat within the borders of the United States itself. Perhaps America was not completely secure, so long as the focal centres from which the subversive elements in the country derived their strength remained powerful. "It Can't Happen Here" was the title of Mr. Sinclair Lewis' fantasy suggesting that it could. Even if Mr. Lewis' account was far-fetched as far as the United States is concerned, it might not be quite so far-fetched as a forecast of what might happen in Latin America.

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Addressing the D.A.R. Convention, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, suggested that there were any number of Trojan horses within the United States, organizations whose high-sounding titles concealed the fact that they were affiliated in spirit, if not legally, with either the Russian or the German dictatorships. "These newly allied destructionists," he said of Germany and Russia, "stand for the complete overthrow of all American institutions." These organizations which were out to destroy the American Bill of Rights loudly invoked its protection when any effort was made to investigate their activities, Mr. Hoover complained.

The Scandinavian invasion influenced United States' opinion in yet another way. The strength of the Isolationists had hitherto been in the Middle West. The Middle West is also the home of most Scandinavian-Americans. There are 3½ millions first and second generation Scandinavians in the United States and only a scattering of them are in the far West or the East. The Scandinavian-Americans are people of influence in national politics. Combined with the Poles and Czechoslovakians, there are now nearly 10,000,000 Americans who have a direct emotional interest in the defeat of the Nazis. First and second generation Americans of English origin number another 3½ millions. America's 4,000,000 Jews have also a direct interest in seeing the Nazi Government overthrown, owing to the persecution, if not of their relatives, at least of their race. Added together, Americans having blood ties with the Allied cause now number approximately 12 per cent. of the American population.

The Scandinavian invasion has led to a better understanding of what the war is about. It has not changed in any way American determination to stay out from the military point of view, but it has destroyed the conception of the war as a remote spectacle, the outcome of which does not concern the United States.

These observations of the Washington correspondent of the "North-China Daily News" regarding America's European policy are reinforced by the recent declarations of President Roosevelt since the invasion of Holland and Belgium by the German army.—ED.

Wisdom from the Weeklies

Court Held In Jail The New Pepys writes in "Truth":—another piece of news that catcht mine eye was from Tunbridge Wells, where the magistrates sat in conclave outside the cell of an accused prisoner who cd not be brought into publick court by reason of his having the german measles. A distemper that be now rageing all over the country, and, though seldom dangerous, is notoriously infectious. Soe doubtless these magistrates did the prudent thing in holding their sitting where they did for the publick protectioun's sake, yet must methinks have been setting a novel precedent therein. At least I never heard tell of the like before. Seems in a manner strange that this partickular distemper shd have assailed us just now, when we are at warr with the Germans; more specially as a-many of the ignorant publick do falsely suppoase it for a distemper of German origin on the strength of its name. Nay, I have met some, who by their educatioun shd have known better, to persist in spelling it with a capitall "G" for that reasoun. Whereas, in fact, "german" here is onelie another spelling of "germane" and do but intimate the kinshipp of german measles to ordinaire measles.

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J. A. Hobson, Writer Britain has known no more disinterested thinker and writer than J. A. Hobson, observes the "New Statesman and Nation." Partly because he did not wear an old school tie and partly because his first economic work departed from the ruts of current orthodoxy, Mr. Hobson never received academic recognition. If you wish to be an unorthodox economist in this country, it is well to keep your heresies until you are already established in a professional chair. But Mr. Hobson's influence was immense and his famous under-consumption theory became in 1931 almost a commonplace. He remained an independent thinker, a Liberal reformer at heart, but one whose analysis of Imperialism was accepted by Lenin and whose proposals often formed the theoretical basis for Socialist thinking in this country. One of the early members of the Union of Democratic Control, he fought its battle throughout the last war and remained its chairman up to the last year of his life. That ironical turn of phrase that was so effective in his writing was even more devastating and delightful in his conversation. An apparently frail man, though once an athlete, he lived to see in his old age his theories largely accepted and his worst fears of the consequences of their neglect realized in this country. He was one of the old guards who really minded about intellectual integrity, and were prepared to run risks for freedom and for peace. He seemed without personal ambition, unless it was the ambition to think more clearly and live more unselfishly than other people.

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Civil Aviation Spurred on The British Overseas Airways Corporation has come into existence, points out "Time and Tide." It takes the place of Imperial Airways and British Airways, the former of which for the last 20 years has been largely responsible for building up British civil aviation. Subsidized by the State on a less generous scale than its foreign competitors, the company nevertheless succeeded in establishing regular services throughout the Empire. On the Continental routes it was often outplaced. When Sir John Reith became chairman of the company British civil aviation had fallen behind, and with the speed up of armament building a shortage of machines developed. This reached its height last autumn when the Empire services had to be cut down. The war threatened to strike a fatal blow at British civil aviation. At first the Air Ministry appeared to delegate it to a back seat, taking its machines and preventing its development. When the Hannibal was lost it came as a shock to many to find that such antiquated and slow machines were being used on Empire routes. The decision to proceed with the creation of this new public corporation to be responsible for all civil aviation marks a welcome change of policy. It is now announced that a service is to be run to Lisbon to link up with the American Clippers plying the Atlantic route. It is to be hoped this is the forerunner of a policy of development, and a realization that the speedy carriage of mails and the provision of air passenger service within and without the Empire is vital to that development of the export trade so necessary to the successful prosecution of the war.

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Clubb Chat The New Pepys writes in "Truth":—at Clubb this night Sir T. Bloxon told us of his having been at Gt. Yarmouth yesterday and there saw a number of our new crewless light-shipps assembling. Are, said he, abt ½ the normall size of the old light-shipps and fitted with lights that will burn unattended for 2 mos. Soe if the German bombers attaque them, it shall mean at once a smaller target, a cheper vessel to replace (if hitt) and compleat immunity from any loss to human life. Which is yet another instance of how resourcefull our Navall Authorities be in finding the answer to every fresh problem that Admll Raeder setts them. Presently, in speaking of food matters, Mr. Jollops mentiouned an expeerience he had last week while journeying by rail into the West of England; and in the buffet-carr ordered a plate of bread-and-butter to his tee. Whereto he was answered by the attendant that they cd not serve bread-and-butter; onelie bread-and-margarine. But at this Jollops exprest surprizall upon a consideracioun of the great stocks of butter now being released on the market and soe widely made known. Was, however, informed by the attendant that he might have all the butter he wanted, provided he had the bread severally and himself spread it thereon. 'Twas onelie bread spread with butter (instedde of with margarine) beforehand that they might not serve. Soe all Jollops had to do was to amend his order from hyphened bread-and-butter into bread and butter *singulatim*. Which the attendant instantly brought him without (as Jollop's own words were) turning a splitt-hair. But whether this madd distinctioun was the Govts or the Railroad Coy's he cd not say.

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Command of The Seas The naval correspondent of "Horse and Hound" writes:—Once again the Prime Minister in the House has stressed the fact that the life of this nation depends on our maintaining the command of the seas. This does not mean that a great naval battle must be fought, but it means that we must be prepared to give battle should occasion arise. The fact, that we have the ships and the men if needed, keeps the enemy ships in harbour, and meanwhile the smaller units of our Navy perform very effective work in examining all neutral shipping to ensure that no supplies reach Germany. Few people realize the disposition of our Navy all over the world. Our normal strength is of course concentrated in the Home Fleet. Their area of activity extends from home waters to Gibraltar, and comprises some of our largest ships. The second line of defence is in the Mediterranean. Then there is the East Indies Station and from here ships patrol the Persian Gulf and the Red Sea. The America and West Indies Station has a South American Division, which distinguished itself by finishing off the Graf Spee. Our most distant station is China, and it was from there that H.M.S. Cumberland came to join the South American Division. At Singapore is the newest Naval base, and here ships out East can undergo extensive repairs without coming home. Both Australia and New Zealand possess navies of their own, and it was New Zealand that loaned the Achilles to the Government when war broke out. Canada maintains two destroyers in the Atlantic and two in the Pacific. The Royal Indian Navy has several sloops and escort vessels. So all over the seas the fingers of our Navy stretch out, and waiting and watching at home are our battleships and battlecruisers making their presence felt from a distance, but ready at any moment to fight for the life-blood of our nation—the Command of the Seas.

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More German Fabrication There can be little doubt that the collection of "documents" found by the Nazis (according to their own story) in the Polish Foreign Office at Warsaw and purporting to show that the American Ambassadors in Poland, France and Great Britain were egging on the Allied "warmongers" last August, have been fabricated and released in an attempt to harm Mr. Roosevelt and assist in the election of an isolationist President, says the "Economist." The attempt has been misfired. For one thing, Dr. Goebbels must have known that immediate denials would come from the State Department and the Ambassadors concerned, and he must be deluding himself as well as the German people if he imagines that his word will be preferred in America to theirs. And for another thing, it is an almost invariable rule of propaganda that open attempts by one country to interfere in the domestic politics of another have the opposite effect from that intended. It has certainly been so in this case. The effect has been to give a slight flavour of foreign policy to the primary election. The Democratic voters of Wisconsin had a three-to-one preference for Mr. Dewey over Senator Vandenberg. The British observer must beware of reading meanings relevant to the American public's attitude to the war into electoral votes in Middle Western states, but at least the results are not such as to show that the President has been harmed or that the appeal of isolationists like Mr. Garner and Mr. Vandenberg has been enhanced. The current mood of America is for keeping out—but how far removed that is from isolationism is shown by such recent events as the renewal of Secretary Hull's Trade Agreements Acts. In the circumstances, the President's remark, after hearing Mr. Sumner Welles's report, that there was scant hope of peace in Europe at present can also be taken as a sign that the Allies' standpoint is both understood and approved.

Allies Close Gap, Cut Off Nazis at Coast

Junction of Forces Made in Cambrai, Peronne And St. Quentin Sectors; Amiens Said Retaken; British Warships Heavily Shell Coastal Roads

London, May 25.

GERMAN forces in the channel region of France were cut off from the main German Army when Allied forces closed the gap between the armies in the north and south, well-informed quarters understood today at 1 p.m. There was no official confirmation, however, of this report. Earlier reports indicated that the Allied troops would reach a junction between Cambrai and St. Quentin and Peronne, thus plugging the gap completely. The narrow lifeline of the Germans between the Somme and Scarpe Rivers was believed to have been severed by French action between Peronne and Cambrai.

The British Navy swung into action today in the Channel and heavily shelled the roads along the French side of the English Channel while the French Army drove toward a point near Abbeville in an effort to cut off the Germans completely in the Channel port area. Indicating that fierce fighting was underway in the Channel ports, residents of south-eastern English coastal towns reported at 2 p.m. that they plainly heard the heaviest gunfire from the other side of the Channel. Refugees reaching here today described British warships shelling the outskirts of Boulogne on Friday night with German artillery retaliating against the warships.

A tremendous fire raged throughout the night across the Channel, lighting up the sea for miles around. Eye-witnesses said that it was an awe-inspiring sight, with smoke billowing three miles high. Simultaneously with the thunder of heavy naval guns in the channel, coastal residents reported furious machinegun fire off the coast. They believed that Royal Air Force fighters were engaging German planes over the Channel.

Allies Attack on Nazi Flanks

The closing of the Cambrai-Peronne-St. Quentin gap was understood to have followed the strong stand which the combined French, Belgian and Dutch forces made along the Escaut River where the German right flank was exposed to furious attacks by the British at Bapaume, Cambrai, Valenciennes and Audenarde.

Even prior to the reports of the closing of the gap, military experts pointed out that Allied artillery could dominate the width of the gap. No matter whether the width of the corridor was 13 or 24 miles, Allied artillery on both sides of the gap could hamper or prevent German movements in the area, thus cutting off aid for the German Panzer divisions which thrust toward the coast, the experts said.

Allied troops were drawn in a line from Ghent to Valenciennes to Cambrai in the north and from Peronne to Laon, Rethel and Sedan in the south. The French were between the Belgians and the British at Arras and Bapaume as the Allies sought to join their two lines.

Despite the reluctance of officials to disclose the actual situation in the war communiques, it was known for certain here that the Allies since Wednesday have been making progress toward closing the gap through which the Germans reached Boulogne.

The unconfirmed reports said that the Allies on the north front smashed through German positions and gained contact with French forces south of the gap.—United Press.

French Re-Occupy Amiens

Paris, May 25.

French troops wiped out a German bridgehead and re-occupied Amiens on the south bank of the Somme River, the "Paris Soir" reported this evening. The official communique did not mention the re-occupation of Amiens, merely saying that the French forces had consolidated their position on the Somme River. The manœuvre, the communique added, resulted in the French taking a number of prisoners.

Furious fighting was reported in the Abbeville region by military after the French had engaged German mechanized and motorized units which poured through the hole between Amiens and Bapaume yesterday. The French blocked light German motorized columns in the St. Omer region where the Nazis were seeking to protect their right flank which was under heavy pressure.

Battling their way across the Somme River to the north bank near Corbie, between Amiens and Peronne, Allied armies hammered the flanks of tired German forces in the Battle of Flanders last night and drove a plug one-third of the way into the

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British Fighters Down More Nazis

Germans Lose Over 1,500 Planes Since Invasion Of Low Countries

London, May 25.

British fighters yesterday destroyed or seriously damaged another 40 German planes over the French and Belgian coasts, with only a quarter of that number of casualties to themselves, according to an Air Ministry announcement. Their victories in the past three days, it is added, have thus taken a toll of over 120 German machines.

Yesterday's fighting began and ended with a Henschel 126. The first, attacked by Spitfires, broke up in the air and burst into flames south-east of Calais, while the last, when trying to escape, hedgehopped over fields and crashed in flames near the same place.

When a squadron of Hurricanes attacked a formation of 30 Heinkel and Dornier bombers between Dunkirk and Calais, the announcement states, their protecting Messerschmitts held off the fight. The Hurricanes first shot down five, probably seven, bombers at 11,000 feet, and then climbed to 22,000 feet and put three Messerschmitts out of action.

Eleven Spitfires, who shot down eleven enemy planes, were also attacking bombers protected by Messerschmitts. Two hours later, after a rest at their base, they were again in action, shooting down four Messerschmitt 109's.

Another Spitfire squadron spread their successes over the day. Having shot down a Henschel near Calais at breakfast time, they brought down a Condor near Ostend before lunch, a Dornier and Junkers a little later, another Dornier and two more Junkers at tea-time, and two Messerschmitts before dinner.

Channel Concentrations Bombed

"Yesterday, number of our aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm co-operated with medium bombers of the Royal Air Force in a series of harassing attacks on enemy concentrations near the coast of the English Channel," declares an Air Ministry communique. "In one attack by naval aircraft on enemy armoured vehicles," the statement says, "many enemy machines were set on fire and others put out of action.

"Enemy oil depots at Rotterdam were again attacked this morning by aircraft of the R.A.F. Coastal Command, and an enemy torpedo-boat was bombed and sunk off the Netherlands coast. Heavy bombers of the R.A.F. were again active throughout the night."

Air Activity Intensified

"While on patrol over the French coast this afternoon, eleven of our fighters encountered a much larger enemy force," stated the Air Ministry last night. "Without loss to themselves, they attacked and shot down eleven Messerschmitts and seriously damaged three others."

"There was intense air activity on an increased scale yesterday, last night and today over the fighting fronts in France and Belgium. Repeated bombing attacks were made by R.A.F. bombers on enemy columns in the neighbourhood of Arras and Boulogne. Strong sorties were made during the night on the enemy's lines of communication in north-east France, southern Belgium and the Rhineland.

"In north-east France, among the targets hit by heavy bombers were military objectives at Bavai and Hirson, where fires were started. Hits were also obtained on a railway junction at La Capelle. At Givet, on the Meuse, a marshalling yard and a large column of transports were severely damaged. A railway junction at Beaumont was hit and rolling-stock set on fire. A junction at Gembloux was also successfully attacked, and an explosion seen among a convoy of lorries nearby. After a raid at Charleroi, another explosion occurred. In the Rhineland, heavy bombers attacked enemy communications at Emmerich, Cologne, Coblenz and elsewhere.

"From these widespread operations, six aircraft failed to return.

"Fighters continue to win victories against the enemy. From reports hitherto received, they have shot down or seriously damaged at least 80 enemy aircraft since yesterday morning. Ten fighters are missing, but some pilots may yet return.

"At least 500 aircraft have been lost by the enemy in France and Belgium during the last week, making a total of more than 1,500 enemy aircraft lost since the invasion of the Low Countries."—Reuter.

Siegfried, Maginot Shelling

Basle, May 25.

Between 3 a.m. and 4 a.m. today the big guns of the Maginot and Siegfried Lines traded punches, with the French gunners apparently concentrating their fire on a nearby German fortress. After an hour's constant shelling, the guns suddenly stopped and were not heard again today.—United Press.

London Declares Situation Grave

London, May 25.

The situation is very grave, but it should be remembered that the form of warfare employed by the Germans has weaknesses as well as strength, it was learned in authoritative quarters here yesterday afternoon. There is no reason for loss of confidence, it is stated. Co-ordinated Allied efforts can still retrieve the situation.—Reuter.

French Regain All Ground on Oise and Aisne

Somme Consolidated; Fresh Panzers Drive By Gap, Make Wedges

Paris, May 25.

While extremely fierce fighting raged today towards the west of Cambrai, the French claim to have regained all lost ground on the Oise and the Aisne and to have consolidated their positions on the Somme. An official French commentator said the Germans this morning hurled more armoured units through the gap between Arras and Picardy towards Abbeville and Boulogne. These units, he added, were accompanied by weak detachments of mechanized infantry, who are making their way north-westward towards the coast, while other weak detachments were sent north and north-west to protect the German right wing. These detachments were easily checked near St. Omer, it is claimed.

While the situation at Boulogne is still unclear, there has been no attack on Calais.

On the Oise and Aisne, all ground which the Germans took on Thursday has now been recaptured, the French state.

French Take Many Prisoners

On the Somme the French last night and this morning continued their mopping up operations on the left bank, where they took some hundreds of prisoners.

South of Sedan, the German advance was halted.

Regarding Boulogne, Reuter's military correspondent states that the port is not as vital a base to the British Expeditionary Force as it was in the last war.

From the first landing of the present forces, he adds, it was realized that to put all eggs in one basket would be a strategic mistake, and the Quartermaster-General's branch, therefore was widely dispersed.

Continuity of Front Not Established

"Violent encounters which have been taking place for several days past in the north, particularly in the region of Cambrai and Arras, and which extended as far as to the regions of St. Omer and Boulogne, have not hitherto enabled us to re-establish the continuity of our front as a whole," reported the French communique issued here last night.

"South of Sedan, a German attack, reported this morning, was carried out with powerful means. Our counter-attack registered a very clear success. Very actve operations were carried out by our reconnaissance and bombing aircraft which continued to harass the enemy's rear. Our fighter planes, while continuing their covering actions, successfully attacked armoured and motorized units of the enemy."

A military spokesman stated last night that the situation in the Valenciennes-Cambrai-Arras sector was practically unchanged.—Reuter.

Nazis Drive More Wedges

Paris, May 25.

Fresh German Panzer Divisions were driving new wedges into the Allied army in northern France last night in an effort to disorganize and annihilate the northern Allied force and thwart Gen. Maxime Weygand's campaign to reunite the two Allied armies, the French High Command communique indicated. The French war communique said swift German attacks were carried out at several points in the region of Cambrai and Arras, where the Allied armies had driven into the German lines to within 25 miles of each other. Violent fighting spread along the whole north front, where the Germans were making every effort to stem the counter-attack of Allied troops in Flanders, and extended to the coastal regions of Boulogne and St. Omer, just south of Calais.

A high military source in Paris denied German reports that Nazi forces had captured the highly important Channel ports of Calais and Boulogne. The situation at Calais was "favourable," he said, and the Germans had not yet entered the city. Previously, a British military source in London had reported that the Germans had captured Boulogne. Allied forces within Boulogne were still holding the Channel port, the French military source said, while engagements with the German attackers were limited to the southern outskirts of the city.

Calais and Boulogne are 26 and 28 miles respectively from Dover across the English Channel. German reports have hinted that, with German occupation of the two Channel ports, artillery bombardments would be carried out against England from the French coast, while German bombers would stage intensive bombing raids against strategic British towns and cities.

Sedan Counter-Attack Succeeds

The French High Command's night communique said French troops had successfully counter-attacked south of Sedan yesterday. Massed French infantry slashed at both sides of the 25-mile-deep bottle-neck north of the Somme, through which German troops were pouring toward the Channel, the communique said.

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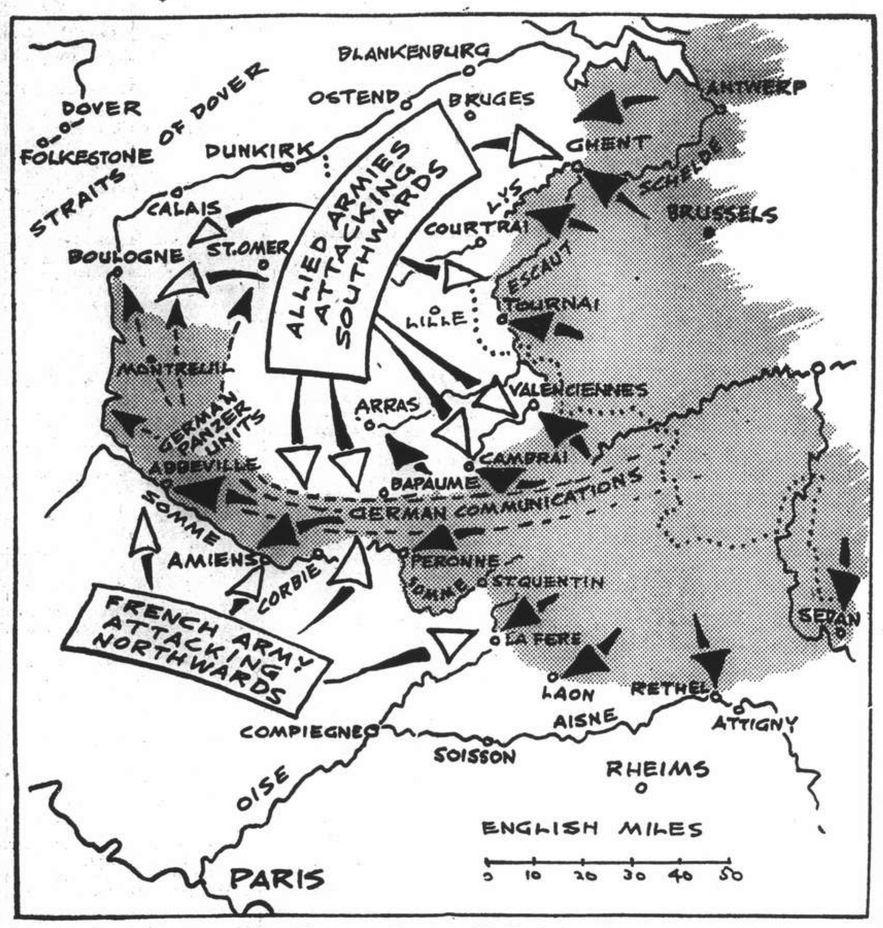

Allies Close Gap To Cut Off Nazis On Coast

Although there was no official confirmation, well-informed quarters in London understood at 1 p.m. yesterday that the gap in the Cambrai, Peronne and St. Quentin area, had been plugged by a junction of Allied forces, thereby cutting off the German Panzer divisions and motorized units driving towards the Channel ports. British warships were shelling coastal roads between Boulogne which has not been completely taken by the Nazis, and Calais, where the Nazis have not begun action. The French cleared up all German units south of the Somme and German assaults southward from Sedan failed. A report in "Paris-Soir" said Amiens was recaptured.

Britain Ready for Attack From Within or Without

79,000 to Guard Against Sabotage; Many More Arrests Made; Capt. von Rintelen Detained

London, May 24.

SEVENTY-NINE thousand workmen, employees of the London passenger transport system, were being mobilised by the Passenger Transport Committee today for duty guarding roads and underground railway lines in this region. Men with bicycles and motorcycles will patrol designated sectors during their hours of rest, maintaining constant vigil against possible saboteurs and "fifth columnists." Certain foremen will be held responsible for daily inspection and watch over offices and plants during work hours. The organization of defences against possible attack by parachute troops was also being speedily pushed ahead.

The Government, it was also learned, will publish an Order in Council tomorrow permitting the Ministries involved to fix hours of work in various branches of industry, the nature of work to be done by different groups of men and women, and prices for all goods.—Havas.

"Fifth Column" in London

London, May 24.

Several bills were posted on walls of buildings in London yesterday drawing the public's attention to a "new English broadcasting station." Scotland Yard has opened an investigation into the incident.

It is believed that agents of a "fifth column" were responsible for these bills which referred to a German station.

The police have asked the public and night-workers to pay particular attention when in the streets and to report any suspicious persons seen.—Havas.

I.R.A. Men Arrested

London, May 24.

Seventy-six members of the Irish Republican Army, terrorist Irish rebel organisation, were arrested in northern Ireland on Wednesday and Thursday night, the Police headquarters in Belfast announced officially this evening.

All the men now under lock and key will be held in internment "for the duration" as part of the large-scale precautions now taken by the British Government against the "fifth column" in the British Isles.

Another precaution, revealed by the London Regional Committee of the Communist party, is the cancellation by the Home Office of a demonstration scheduled to be held in Trafalgar Square, Sunday.

The Committee, the group added, had lodged a formal protest against this action.

Careful Investigation

It was learned, meanwhile, that following the discovery of piles of documents in the British Fascist Union headquarters, plainclothes policemen today called at various houses throughout London to investigate the recent activities of certain Union members who are now held in custody.

Policemen were seen guarding the entrance to the Union headquarters today and no person was allowed in before he had answered searching questions establishing his identity and business.

At Police headquarters, in the meantime, the documents found yesterday were being closely studied all day today.

Among the men now behind bars as a result of the Home Office's sweep of "fifth column" suspects is Capt. Franz von Rintelen, author and refugee German officer who headed the Reich's espionage system in the United States during the First World War.—Havas.

Enemy Propaganda

London, May 24.

"Berlin is up to it again, spreading the same old story," British political quarters declared this evening, commenting on German Radio's assertion this morning that Britain's first reaction to the "capture of Boulogne" was to consider abandonment of the French alliance.

Frankfurt Radio, in a French-language broadcast apparently intended for French citizens, declared "the entrance of German troops into Boulogne created general panic in Britain."

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U.S. Proposal to Give All Aid

Senator Pepper to Ask U.S.A. to Help Allies With All Supplies

Washington, May 24.

Declaring that Germany had violated the Kellog-Briand Pact, Senator Claude Pepper today introduced into the Senate a resolution authorizing President Roosevel "to give all aid short of war to the Allies."

Such aid, said Senator Pepper, would include the sale of United States' aircraft, ships, artillery and other war supplies to Britain, France, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Norway, Denmark, Holland and Belgium, "and such other countries as may be the subject of unprovoked military aggression by Germany in violation of the Kellog Pact or the rules of international law."—Reuter.

Moscow Comments

London, May 25.

"Komsomolskaya Pravda" (Moscow) of May 22 contains an article entitled "The Non-Belligerent Ally of England and France," which deal with the present attitude of the United States towards the war.

The article, which is quoted by a special commentary, mentions among effects in America of the recent German advance, the call by the United States' authorities for a great increase in armaments and the campaign for granting credits to the Allies.

Leading Democrats and Republicans are said to be at one in their sympathy for the Allies, and the "situation resembles that preceding the entry of the United States into the last war, with the only difference that the tempo is faster now."

The "New York Times" reports a Call-up poll on May 15 as finding that 51 per cent. would sell 'planes to the Allies on credit supplied by the United States' Government if the Allies are unable to pay cash."—Reuter.

Enormous Casualties In Flanders

New York Learns French And German Estimates

New York, May 25.

Allied losses in men, planes and tanks have been almost twice those of the Germans since the German invasion of the lowlands, semi-official advices reaching here from Berlin and Paris indicated yesterday.

An estimated 300,000 or 400,000 men have been killed on both sides and nearly 1,000,000 have been wounded, according to the reports.

Reports from Paris said an estimated 100,000 to 150,000 Germans had been killed since the German invasion of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg and between 350,000 and 400,000 were wounded. The French estimated that 1,200 German planes were shot down and 1,300 German tanks and armoured cars were destroyed.

Berlin reports estimated Allied losses at between 200,000 and 300,000 dead and from 400,000 to 500,000 wounded. They said 2,100 planes had been shot down and 2,000 tanks had been destroyed.—United Press.

Canada Sending Planes To Britain at Once

Ottawa, May 24.

The Air Minister, Mr. A. Power, told the House of Commons tonight that the Government was responding to a request from the British Government for certain aeroplanes. The Canadian Government, he said, had informed the British Government that these aeroplanes would be available and forwarded at once.—Reuter.

T.U.C. Rallies to Nation's Need

Mr. Churchill Calls on Workers for "Supreme Effort" to Win War

London, May 25.

"The country's needs are imperative, inescapable and imperious, and we shall pay dearly if we fail to meet them," declared the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, in a letter to the special conference of executive councils of unions affiliated to the Trades Union Congress, which met today.

The conference endorsed the decision of the General Council to give support to the measures necessary to protect the public against the dangers inherent in the present situation by organizing the entire resources of the country, and striving to the utmost to defeat the forces of aggression.

Mr. Churchill's letter added: "We have the fullest confidence in the readiness of organized workers to accept the obligations arising out of the demands which the State is compelled to make upon their endurance and their capacity for sacrifice.

"The gravity of the hour deepens hour by hour, and we are all called upon to make a supreme effort to defend the country and to preserve our liberties and win the war."

After Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, had explained his plan of operations, the conference adopted a resolution expressing to the "heroic defenders of liberty," the armed forces and merchant navies of the Allies, its profound tribute at their iron resolve to withstand the forces of aggression and to achieve victory.—Reuter.

British Planes Active In Norway

Stockholm, May 25.

British naval planes this morning bombed German airbases at Tromsoe, destroying petrol depots and a number of planes. Air operations are taking place at height varying from 400 to 1,000 meters, it is reported. Detachments of the Norwegian 6th division are progressing southward.—Havas.

German Bombers Fly over Yorkshire, Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex

Bombs Dropped; Civilians Injured; British Warships Shell Calais-Boulogne Coast Road

London, May 25.

German planes dropped bombs during raids over north-eastern England today in what many persons believed might be the prelude to an attack on the British Isles. The Nazi raiders flew over places in Yorkshire, England's textile centre; Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex, wounding at least twelve persons and damaging several buildings.

In the North Riding district of Yorkshire eleven persons were known to have been wounded when the German bombers swooped over the region and awakened the startled population. Bombs fell on a vacant building, shattering windows in a large area. A large electric clock of a town hall was stopped at the exact moment the bombs fell.

Several bombs were dropped on a small town in Essex this morning but little damage was done and there were no casualties. In East Anglia the raid lasted for a full hour.

Military observers believed the Nazi planes might have come from new air bases established in Holland.

The early air raid alarms this morning quickly brought people out of bed in towns on England's eastern coast and, as civilians dashed for shelters, R.A.F. patrols took to the air and engaged the invaders.

Anti-aircraft batteries immediately opened up against the German bombers and members of the newly formed "parashooter" squads ran to their posts to watch for possible German parachute troops but no attempt was made to land troops.

While the north-eastern towns were experiencing their first taste of actual warfare, people in villages farther south watched a gigantic fire burning in the Boulogne-Calais sector on the French coast and listened to the rumble of gunfire as British warships shelled a coastal road between Boulogne and Calais.—United Press.

His Majesty Warns Empire

"Defeat Will Mean Destruction of Our World and Darkness on Its Ruins"; Life and Death Issue

London, May 25.

"LET no one be mistaken, it is no more territorial conquest our enemies are seeking; it is the overthrow, complete and final, of the Empire and everything for which it stands, and after that, the conquest of the world," declared King George last night when he broadcast an Empire Day message to the nation.

"If their will prevails," he added "they will bring to its accomplishment all the hatred and cruelty they have already displayed. It was not easy for us to believe that designs so evil could find place in the human mind, but the time for doubt is long past. To all of us in the Empire, to all men of vision and good will throughout the world, the issue is now plain."

The King said: "On Empire Day last year I spoke to the peoples of the Empire from Winnipeg, in the heart of Canada. We were at peace. On that Empire Day I spoke of the ideals of freedom, justice and peace upon which our commonwealth of free peoples is founded.

"Clouds were gathering, but I held fast to the hope that those ideals might yet achieve a fuller and richer development, without suffering the grievous onslaught of war. But it was not to be.

Issue of Life and Death

"The evil which we strove unceasingly and with all honesty of purpose to avert fell upon us. In this hour our conscience is clear, for there is now revealed, without the possibility of mistake, the long-planned scheme to subjugate by force the nations of the world, against which all our efforts for peace were doomed to break.

"The decisive struggle is now upon us. I am speaking plainly to you, for in this hour of trial I know you would not have me do otherwise.

"It is an issue of life or death for us. Defeat will not mean some brief eclipse from which we shall emerge with strength renewed—it will mean the destruction of our world as we know it and the descent of darkness upon its ruin."

Evil Aspirations

His Majesty continued: "I speak to you today with a new vision of this Empire before my eyes. Now that it has come into conflict and sharp comparison with the evil system which is attempting its destruction, its full significance appears in a brighter and more certain light.

"There is a word which our enemies use against us—Imperialism. By it they mean a spirit of domination and lust for conquest. We free peoples of the Empire cast that word back in their teeth. It is they who have these evil aspirations.

"Our one object has always been peace: peace in which our institutions may be developed, the conditions of our peoples improved and the problems of the Government solved in a spirit of goodwill. This peace they have taken from us and they are seeking to destroy all that we have striven to maintain.

Confidence Undimmed

"Against our honesty is set dishonour, against our faithfulness is treachery, against our justice is brute force. There, in clear and unshakeable opposition, lie the forces that now confront one another. The great uprising of peoples throughout the Empire shows without doubt which will prevail.

"They have risen in just wrath against a thing which they detest and despise. Nothing can shake their resolution. In perfect unity of purpose, they will defend their life and all that makes life worth living.

"Let no one think that my confidence is dimmed when I tell you how perilous is the ordeal which we are facing. On the contrary, it shines in my heart as brightly as it shines in yours. But confidence alone is not enough. It must be armed with courage and resolution, with endurance and self-sacrifice. These are the high qualities that men of the Homeland and men from overseas, in an unending stream, are bringing to the struggle on land, sea and in the air.

Our Allies

"At this moment, our thoughts turn to our fighting men and to those who love them, mothers, wives and sweethearts at home. Beside them stand the soldiers of our old ally, France, and with them Poland, Norway, Belgium and Holland, peoples upon whose peaceful lands has fallen all the horror of treacherous and unprovoked aggression.

"At this fateful hour, we turn, as our fathers before us have turned in all times of trial, to God on high. Here, in the old country, I have asked that Sunday next should be observed as a day of national prayer. It may be possible for many of our brethren across the seas to join their prayers with ours.

"Let us, with one heart and soul, humbly but confidently commit our cause to God and ask His aid that we may valiantly defend right as it is given to us to see it.

"Peoples of the Empire, men and women in all quarters of the globe, I say to you: Put into your task whatever it may be all the courage and purpose of which you are capable, keep your hearts proud and your resolve unshaken. Let us go forward to that task as one man, a smile on our lips and our heads held high, and with God's help we shall not fail."—Reuter.

Italy Stops Trans-Atlantic Shipping

British Premier Said to Have Exchanged Messages With Signor Mussolini

New York, May 25.

Italy appeared to be a step nearer war today after the announcement that all trans-Atlantic shipping from Italian ports had been suspended until June 10 and that there would be no schedules issued for sailings either to the Near or Far East.

At the same time, the official gazette published a decree in which King Victor Emmanuel, Signor Benito Mussolini and the Council of Ministers officially approved the measure passed by the Senate recently providing means for civil mobilization.

The bill provides, in case of partial or general mobilization of all property, that all persons of both sexes over the age of 14 participate in the defence of the country. Thus, they can be mobilized civilly and put under the discipline of the war office.

The Italian shipping office confirmed that all trans-Atlantic shipping from Italy was suspended until June 10 when both the liners Rex and Augustus are to sail for New York. No sailings for the Near and Far East have been placed on schedule, but the Italian airline said that its service was running normally to Egypt and the next plane was expected to leave for Cairo on Tuesday.

The British Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, has exchanged messages with Premier Benito Mussolini in an attempt to clarify Italy's attitude toward entry into the European war, according to private advices received here last night.—United Press.

London's Fears

London, May 25.

Diplomatic circles here last night were taking an increasingly serious view of the possibility that Italy might soon enter the European War on the side of Germany. Fears also were increasing that Italy would attempt to drag Spain into the war against the Allies if Signor Benito Mussolini joins forces with Adolf Hitler.

The despatch of Sir Samuel Hoare to Madrid as an Ambassador on a Special Mission yesterday was believed to have been designed by London to check any trend in Spain toward entrance into the war. Britain's anxiety over Italy's next move was also evident in the Mediterranean where all British women and children have been evacuated from Gibraltar.

Britain in the past week has attempted to eliminate some of Italy's grievances against the Allies but diplomatic quarters admitted last night that relations between Rome and the Allies had not improved. Instead, war fever is reported to be spreading through Italy and uniformed troops are cheered wildly as they march through the streets of the major cities, apparently en route to reinforce Italy's frontiers.

Sailings Postponed

The National War Veterans Association in Rome, it was pointed out, passed a resolution yesterday affirming their desire to be sent to the front again to fight for Italy. Thousands of new posters were reported to have appeared on the streets of Rome yesterday declaring "Long Live Italian Corsica."—United Press.

Not Due to War

New York, May 25.

When the news was received here that the sailing of the Italian luxury liner Rex had been postponed, the New York office of the Italian line said it might be safely assumed that it was not due to anything connected with the war. Ten Italian cargo boats are at present in American waters.—Reuter.

War Anniversary

Rome, May 25.

Yesterday's celebrations in Italy on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of her entry into the World War against Germany passed off soberly. There were no boisterous demonstrations in the streets of Rome, and it might have been called rather an anti-Ally day than a pro-German day.

All newspapers were avoiding recalling that today's ally was then an enemy, by stating that Italy went to war with the Hapsburg Empire. "Betrayal" by her former allies was the key-note of leading articles, which proclaimed that the "hour of reckoning has struck for the plutocracies in their dotage."

Italo-Egyptian Relations

The Egyptian Prime Minister, Ali Maher, yesterday made a statement that relations between Italy and Egypt were based on cordiality and good neighbourliness, as evidenced by the agreement concluded two years ago, according to Stefani Agency.

Nothing had occurred to upset these friendly relations which, he hoped, would continue. He also referred to the large Italian colony to which Egypt had given hospitality.—Reuter.

Mobilization Measures

Rome, May 25.

A law providing for comprehensive civil mobilization was published in the Official Gazette today. It revises existing legislation on the organization and mobilization of the nation for war. Under the new law, all citizens, public and private bodies and companies, and all capital, property and inventions can be requisitioned.

Commodities can be rationed, imports and exports be limited or prohibited, and orders can be given for all capital to be declared. Persons unfit for military service, and women and children over 14 can be mobilized for civilian services under military discipline.

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Paris Believes Nazis Have Reserves Of 20,000 Parachute Troops

Big Transport Planes Also Held Ready; New York Learns German Tanks Fed by Pipe-Lines

Paris, May 25.

Germany has 20,000 trained parachute troops and 2,000 specially constructed transport planes which have yet to see action in the European war, according to reliable quarters here today.

Only a small percentage of Germany's parachute troops was employed in Holland and Belgium, these sources claimed. It was believed that Germany was holding these special troops intact for a final effort to break through the Allied defences.

The Germans also have in reserve huge Junkers and Focke-Wolfe Condor four-motored transport planes, it was understood. Six of these gigantic planes dropped 200 parachute troops at one point in Holland, it was disclosed. The number of soldiers these planes can carry, however, depends upon the distance of operations.

There has been only one case in which a soldier was dropped from a Nazi plane in the Northern combat zone and that involved a Belgian spy, who was caught soon after he landed near Gournay, in the Seine et Oise Department.—United Press.

Pipelines Feed Nazi Tanks

New York, May 25.

Pipelines, trailing snake-like along the countryside in the wake of battling Nazi Panzer divisions, have been supplying the fast-striking German tanks and motorized columns with essential fuel, military experts here said today on the basis of reports received from France. The pipelines, they said, were being laid and camouflaged by engineers who follow close behind the advancing fighting units in the manner which signal corps are accustomed to string telegraph and telephone lines.—Domei.

French Foil Nazi "Fifth Column"

Swift, Remorseless Hunt Thwarts Spies; Activities Described

Paris, May 25.

German "fifth column" activities in France have been a "complete failure," French officials said last night.

Noteworthy was the fact that on the roads leading to Paris from Normandy, down which refugees continued their flight to the capital yesterday, numerous small groups of "fifth column" members in civilian clothes were seen being marched off by French troops armed with rifles and bayonets.

The fate of these agents of foreign enemies was fixed long ago by the former Premier and War Minister, M. Edouard Daladier, who issued a standing decree that all "fifth column" forces operating in anything except the German Army uniform should face the firing squad.

"Fifth column" operatives have been far less numerous in France than they were in Holland and Belgium because French police restrictions have been far more stringent. In nine months of war there has been an endless spy hunt in France.

French Communists and Belgian and Dutch traitors, many of whom pose as refugees to get across the French frontier, comprise the bulk of "fifth column" operatives in France, French officials said.

Traitors Guide Nazi Bombers

These "fifth column" detachments attempted to aid the progress of the German tank divisions in their drive to the English Channel but their accomplishments have been slight, according to French officials.

One of their efforts was to mark the main objectives for German bombers, according to the French. They put balloons up above the German objectives in sufficient numbers to be seen by the bomber pilots, French reports state. The balloons, it was said, were specially equipped to remain stationary at a certain height, neither rising nor falling for several days. German bomber pilots whom the French claim were barely trained to fly in a straight line were thus relieved of the necessity of learning navigation because "fifth column" balloons were supposed to serve as their guides.

The whole force of the Allied armies which was previously in retreat, has now been turned round and is facing the invaders. The French make no secret of the fact that the whole disastrous German penetration was due to the breaking of several poor divisions in the Ninth Army.—United Press.

Allies Close Gap, Cut Off Nazis at Coast

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gap in the Allied lines caused by the German break through the French Ninth Army last week. The Allied Army of the north was well south of Bapaume last night and pointed toward the Somme River while the armies of central France held the Somme from Corbie to Peronne, leaving the gap between the Allied armies less than 25 miles in width.

This narrow corridor between the two Allied armies is the lifeline of the German tank columns and motorized units operating along the coast of the English Channel today within 25 miles of Dover. The main German army, according to French reports, has not gained an inch against reorganized Allied resistance in the past 72 hours.

The German advance tank units were attacking five northern points last night despite the threat to their rear as Gen. Maxime Weygand and the Allied armies squeezed tighter their pincers round the main German army which was stopped between the Escaut and Somme Rivers.

French military officials said the German units along the English Channel were "having a final fling of hell raising" before having their life-line cut behind them. They said the Germans along the English Channel faced the fate of being taken dead or alive in a "gigantic rabbit hunt" now being conducted by the Allies. Hundreds of the advance German tanks already have been put out of action by Allied artillery or as a result of empty fuel tanks, French reports said. Hundreds of German troops with these units have been killed while other hundreds have been taken prisoners, it was said. Additional hundreds of parachutists and "fifth column" members also have been arrested by local police and garrisons in the rear without the aid of the main Allied armies, it was reported.

Gen. Weygand Wholly Confident

General Weygand yesterday morning went to the scene of the battle of Flanders which he is commanding personally. He was apparently delighted with the fighting spirit of the Allied armies and with the progress of the operations, because he returned to Paris at noon and reported to the Premier, M. Paul Reynaud, that within a few hours he hoped to be able to say the disastrous situation had been wholly averted and the German army held in the pocket. After stopping the German drive, General Weygand was reported to have said, the policing of "lost battalions" of German tanks would proceed as long as necessary.

The German General Staff was apparently staking the whole outcome of the war on this battle, because they threw fresh troops, tanks and artillery into action along the Escaut River yesterday. These men and materials were believed to have been rushed up from the Swiss frontier, where there has been a very noticeable thinning of German reserves, according to French military sources.

The fatigue of two weeks of steady fighting and movement with full packs was beginning to tell on the German troops yesterday, French reports said. There has been a very evident slackening of the German effort in the whole pocket, they said. This was partly explained by the difficulty of bringing up supplies, because the very poor lines of communication in the German rear were further complicated by intense Allied air activity.

American bombers were thrown into the battle for the first time yesterday and tore at German roads, railroads and German troop concentrations in the Aix-la-Chapelle bottle-neck.—United Press.

Britain Ready for Attack From Within or Without

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British quarters contrasted this allegation with the true facts:—Britain's swift action increasing industrial working hours, intensifying the cleanup of the "fifth column," mobilisation of all resources in men and materials and the continued co-operation of the Royal Navy with the Allied armies everywhere possible, particularly in helping to rid French ports of mines.

Reports Ridiculed

German allegations that the Anglo-French alliance is "heading for the rocks" were not even graced with formal denial. They were completely ridiculed, however. British quarters merely pointed to the great work being done both by the Royal Air Force and the Navy and by the outnumbered but not outfought British Expeditionary Force.

In Paris, too, high French political quarters issued warning against German propaganda, which not only harps on the old theme of trying to split the Allies, but also seeks to spread suspicion, distrust and anxiety in France.

German propaganda agents have tried to spread the rumour that the French Government has left Paris, this action provoking civic strife. Neutral observers have speedily quashed these rumours, however, pointing to the smooth functioning of all Government services in the French capital.—Havas.

Government Takes Over

London, May 25.

The Government assumed dictatorial control of British industry today, temporarily setting aside the centuries-old cardinal principal of democracy, for the purpose of concentrating every ounce of man power on the job of winning the war.

With the German capture of Boulogne bringing potential invaders nearer Britain than at any time since Napoleon massed his troops there in 1805, British authorities took every precaution to prevent any hitch in the country's defence plans.

The British public took calmly the application of the Emergency Powers Act and the presence of German forces only 28 miles from the British coast.

The bill says that "an order-in-council may require persons to place themselves, their services and their property at the disposal of the King for securing public safety, defence of the realm, the maintenance of public order, or the efficient prosecution of the war, and also for maintaining supplies or services essential to the life of the community."

A Production Council will be established to control firms producing munitions "for the full utilization of labour and to prevent waste."

The Government has the authority through the bill to transfer labour to munitions factories or to mines, or any other labour thought desirable for the more efficient prosecution of the war. Through the bill the Government controls banks, factories, labour and property.—United Press.

More Arrests

London, May 25.

An additional 21 men and four women were arrested in the London area yesterday. Most of them, it is understood, are connected with the British Union of Fascists. Under the Defence Regulations, Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the Union, and 34 other Fascists were arrested two days ago.—Reuter.

Pilot Officer T. D. H. Davy
As a Member of his School Four

Local Youth Given D.F.C. for Bravery

Pilot Officer T. D. H. Davy Distinguishes Himself; Son Of N.C.D.N. Employee

Another local youth has acquitted himself with flying colours in the Royal Air Force. In recognition of his bravery in line of active duty, Pilot Officer Thomas D. H. Davy, 20 years old, a former scholar at the Cathedral School for Boys here, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, according to word received in Shanghai.

Young Mr. Davy is the son of Mr. T. D. Davy, manager of the printing department of the "North-China Daily News." Leaving the Cathedral School in 1934, he went to England in the same year to be educated at Oxford.

In response to the call to arms, he joined the Royal Air Force in August, 1938. He has been seeing action on the front for quite some time and news has just been received here of his having been awarded the D.F.C.

Young Davy was well known in Shanghai, having spent his youth in this city. While in Shanghai he had shown keen interest in sports. He was a member of the Second Four of Magdalen College School, Oxford.

How Pilot Officer Davy won the Distinguished Flying Cross is not yet known in Shanghai, only a cable announcing the award having reached here.

Belgian Art Works Disappear

Paris, May 25.

French authorities today were actively investigating the disappearance of 30 trucks which left Belgium several days ago bearing some of the most priceless paintings in the Brussels Art Museum.

Among the lost paintings were Brueghel, the Elder's "Fall of Icarus," several fine Rubens paintings and Jordaen's "King Drinking." There were also several Rembrandts and paintings by Van Dyck, Ley and Vermeer of Delft.

It was believed possible that if the trucks did not fall into German hands they were attempting to reach Paris over some little-known byroads.—United Press.

French Regain All Ground on Oise And Aisne

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The battle raged hottest at Amiens and along the Scheldt River, on the north side of which the French yesterday began their advance. If the bottle-neck could be closed, the German advance units at Boulogne and Calais could be isolated and annihilated, the communique said.

One military source said the heaviest fighting continued to be in the Valenciennes-Cambrai sector where strong attacks and bitter counter-attacks alternated.—United Press.

Enormous German Losses

Paris, May 25.

The bloody struggle that has been in progress on the plains of Flanders continued throughout today with unabated fury, with no radical changes in positions on either side. The positions round the disputed port of Boulogne are still confused and indefinite. Fighting continues south of Saint Omer, directly east of Boulogne and German units were repulsed by the French defenders. The position along the Somme River appeared somewhat more favourable for the Allies, according to the official French communique. "Our positions on the Somme had been strengthened by the end of the day (May 24)," the communique asserted. "We made many prisoners," it concluded. Judging by various reports reaching Paris, the German losses as they attempt to drive forward their military Juggernaut at all costs are enormous. South of Sedan, in the Argonne region, attacking German troops were stopped in their tracks.

Titanic Struggle Rages

A titanic battle between the massed forces of the Allies and Germany was being waged yesterday along a front running from Valenciennes in the north to Cambrai in the south, and Arras to the west, the Havas war correspondent reported from the lines last night. Exceptionally fierce fighting marked the attacks and counter-attacks launched by the two opposing armies. Advances and retreats over small distances were registered by both sides, but no definite results were visible by evening.

"This battle," the war correspondent asserted, "will probably last several days. Flanders is again the scene of bloody fighting on a scale and of an intensity as yet unknown in warfare."

Between Arras and the French lines on the Somme River, heavy fighting preceded an advance by German armoured units toward the coast. The units that blasted their way through a breach in the lines were heavier than any as yet sent through toward the Channel shores. Some tanks are now supporting the German motor-cycle troops and mobile machine-gun units close to the coast. These heavy units, veritable moving fortresses, have reached the sea at some points, according to the Havas correspondent, but were checked at most places by stout Allied resistance.

Violent fighting occurred south of Boulogne, where a German column of armoured units came in contact with French units who remained in command of the situation, and Boulogne was still in French hands yesterday evening. Contrary to rumours spread by the Germans, there was no fighting in the Calais region yesterday. Local fighting occurred along the Somme; there was nothing to report from other regions, the Havas correspondent concluded.—Havas.

Nazis Bomb Abbeville to Bits

London, May 25.

Abbeville where the German advance turned northward towards Channel ports, was bombed to pieces by the German Air Force before troops seized the town, according to a Red Cross man who has just left northern France. "The last time I saw it, it was one vast desolation of smouldering ruins, with shattered streets strewn with dead and dying women and children. The Germans bombed it apparently without thought of military objectives, dropping high-explosive and incendiary bombs and incendiary darts—which shoot about like jumping crackers."—Reuter.

Nazis Sensitive Over Troop Losses

French Estimate Arouses German Indignation

London, May 25.

"It is highly significant that the publication in France yesterday of the figure of 500,000 as the estimate of German troop losses sustained on the Western Front has produced an immediate concerted outburst of indignation among all German radio stations and other channels, through which the figure is denounced as 'sheer propaganda,'" writes an authoritative military commentator. This outburst, he adds, suffices to show the extreme sensitiveness of German leaders on the subject of their losses.

The explanation is simple, the commentator asserts, and is provided by the German propaganda machine itself. "Up till now," declares one German announcer, "the German High Command has not revealed the German losses. This will be done after completion of operations when a survey of losses covering an extensive period will be published."

In other words, the commentator declares, German leaders must at all costs conceal from the German people the appalling butchery to which they have exposed their troops unless and until they can point to some complete and decisive victory with which to justify it."—Reuter.

Italy Stops Trans-Atlantic Shipping

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The law can be enforced before mobilization is decreed. A supreme defence committee, presided over by Signor Mussolini and including members of the Cabinet, is entrusted with carrying out the organization and mobilization of the nation in wartime. Chiefs of General Staffs and the Commissioner for war industries may be called in when necessary.—Reuter.

Japan, Italy Trade Talks

Rome, May 25.

Formal trade discussions between the visiting Japanese Economic Mission to Italy, headed by Mr. Naotake Sato, and Italian officials, began yesterday afternoon at the University of Rome.

Well-informed sources revealed that the discussions yesterday afternoon dealt with the selection of a committee which will draft a new trade pact. It is expected that the draft will be completed sometime during the early part of next month.

One of the principal objects of the Japanese Economic Mission is the conclusion of a new tripartite trade agreement between Japan, Italy and Manchoukuo, it was stated.—Domei.

Nazis Claim Allies Wholly Cut Off

Calais Said Surrounded; Further Successes Listed

Berlin, May 25.

"The ring round the Belgian Army, parts of the 1st, 9th and 7th French Armies, and the bulk of the British Expeditionary Force has now been definitely closed," claims a communique issued by the German High Command today.

"East of the ring, Ghent and Courtrai have been captured. German forces have also captured Vimy Ridge. Calais is hemmed in. Heights above Lille and St. Omer, as far as Gravelines, are in German hands.

"The enemy yesterday lost 84 planes. Eleven German planes are missing."

The German news agency admits that the Allies have brought up numerous reinforcements, especially motorized and mechanized units, despite strong German air attacks. It states, however, that all attempts to break through the German lines have failed. Fresh German infantry divisions, it is added, have been brought up so that at some points the Germans now have numerical superiority.—Reuter.

British Naval Losses Denied

London, May 25.

Reuter is authoritatively informed in London that German claims of British naval losses continue to reach a high imaginative level. Today's communique, for example, alleges the loss off Narvik yesterday of a number of British cruisers and destroyers, a battleship, an aircraft-carrier, merchantmen, etc. Authoritative comment in London is: "The entire list is fabrication. No such losses have occurred."—Reuter.

Australian, Japanese Sureties on N.E.I.

Canberra, May 25.

Australia and Japan have exchanged assurances that the *status quo* of the Netherlands East Indies will not be affected by the war in Europe, the Australian Foreign Minister, Mr. W. M. Hughes, declared before the Parliament today.—Havas.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THE Sunday Broadcast of the National Christian Council will be given tonight at 9.30 in Chinese by Dr. Chester S. Miao, and at 9.45 in English by Rev. Ronald Rees over XMHA.

The ladies committee of St. Olga's Orphanage are holding a bridge and mah jongg party at the Foreign Y.M.C.A., on June 4 from 2.30 to 7 p.m. Profits will be used to send several ill orphans to sanitariums in Tsingtao and Chefoo.

Dr. Paul Yu Pin, Vicar Apostolic of Nanking arrived in Kweilin, capital of Kwangsi province, on May 24, from Liuchow, states a report to the "Chinese American Daily News." He is conducting a tour of inspection to the Chinese front, the paper states.

At the Ministering Children's League Fun Fair held at Charter House on May 18, $12,612 was taken and since then further sums have come in raising the sum to $13,618. When all items have been received a complete account will be published.

METROPOLITAN-Vickers Ltd. have signed a contract with the Turkish Government for a £1,500,000 electrification scheme, including the construction of a power station at Catalagzi on the Anatolian coast of the Black Sea. The order has been secured in the face of much international competition.

AMONG the young men who volunteered for service in Finland under Col. Kermit Roosevelt is the 21-year-old Earl Jellicoe, only son of the Admiral. He has only recently left Cambridge, where he did well, both in his studies and in games. He is keen on flying, but has shown none of his famous father's passion for the sea.

THIS evening at 7.30 Station XMHA will broadcast the regular Catholic Hour programme, presented by the Shanghai Catholic Radio League. The speaker tonight will be the Reverend John F. Magner, S.J., who will give the fourth and final talk in the series on the Encyclical of Pope Pius XI on the Christian Education of Youth. Father Magner's talk is entitled "The Catholic Educational Ideal."

ACCORDING to an American girl student who has gone into the matter, Herr Hitler uses the pronoun "I" once in every 53 words, Mr. Chamberlain manages with one "I" in every 249 words. Next to the German dictator comes Signor Mussolini with the personal pronoun in each 83 words. He is followed by Mr. Roosevelt with an "I" in every 100 words, Mr. Churchill with one in 169, and M. Daladier with one in 234.

AMERICAN scientists after hundreds of experiments, have discovered a drink that will practically double any man's energy. The chemical, which staves off muscular fatigue, is glycine. Ordinary gelatin contains 25 per cent. glycine. In a recent mass experiment, six men and four women pedalled until they were exhausted, and an energy-meter measured their efforts. Each cyclist was given chilled orange juice containing gelatin, and practically every one of the men doubled his energy output after drinking the mixture.

HISTORY has almost repeated itself in the appointment of Mr. Clive Pearson as head of Britain's civil aviation services in succession to Sir John Reith. During the last war Mr. Pearson's father, that great engineer, the first Lord Cowdray, was President of the Air Board for nearly 12 months. Mr. Pearson inherits much of his father's enterprise and organizing ability. He was a pioneer of air transport in Gt. Britain, having founded two companies himself, acquired two more, and amalgamated them with a fifth to form British Airways.

A SIXTEEN-year-old Eton boy submitted two pictures to the Royal Academy, London and both are to be hung. He is Edwin Bramall, and one picture "The Ballet" was painted last Christmas as a holiday task, while the other, "Sloane Square" is a view from his house painted "just for fun." However, he doesn't think he is good enough to be a professional artist. A girl artist aged sixteen years, Maureen Burns, whose picture, "Portrait of Youth," done in oils with a palette knife, is the first work she has ever submitted for exhibition.

PEWHOLDERS, who are attending the special service of intercession in the Cathedral this morning, are reminded that it will not be possible to reserve seats after 10.15 a.m. In anticipation of a very large attendance, special seating accommodation is being arranged in the Cathedral. An amplifying apparatus is being installed outside the Cathedral, so that all coming to the service will be assured of being able to hear and enter into every part of the special service. The service itself will commence promptly at 10.30 a.m.

THE Royal Mail Liner Highland Patriot (14,000 tons) has safely reached port with a cargo including several thousand tons of meat after being aground for nearly five days on a part of the south-east coast of England. The Liner went inshore on the spring tide for safety recently when German planes were over the south-east coast, but was caught by the rapidly-receding tide and ran aground so fast that efforts to refloat her failed. Some of her cargo was shifted, and aircraft patrolled overhead to drive off any German planes that appeared. A naval tug got the liner off the bank, and the ship has now arrived safely in port.

THE heroic feat of a French private who deliberately led a German raiding party who had captured him into the range of the French guns, running the risk of being killed himself by the fire of his comrades, has been revealed. The poilu's name is Laroix, and he was captured when a German patrol attacked a small French post on an island in the Rhine on the night of April 12-13. The patrol, about ten strong, landed on the east side of the island and captured the two French guards, killing the N.C.O. in command of the post. Laroix, with a pistol thrust in his back, was ordered to show the Germans the road of retreat. He calmly led them towards the French lines and then gave the alarm. A burst of withering fire from French automatics killed the German patrol leader. The rest of the party, seized with panic, threw a few hand grenades and fled. They left their dead leader's body, arms, and the two French prisoners. Laroix was wounded.

School Children's Competition

Royal Asiatic Society's Proposal to Interest the Younger Generation

It is proposed to hold in the autumn of this year, if sufficient interest and support is forthcoming, a competitive exhibition of foreign school children's hobbies in the way of natural history objects, botany, coins and stamps, in the Royal Asiatic Society's premises at 20 Museum Road. The aim of the competitive exhibition is to stimulate an interest in Chinese natural history and the Shanghai Royal Asiatic Society's Museum as well as to give the children an interest and occupation during the summer months.

Owing to the present chaotic world conditions many children this year will be deprived of their holiday and such an exhibition as proposed, it is hoped, will be an incentive to get the children out in the open air and in healthy contact with Mother Nature who is always the best of teachers. Even today with all our boasted progress Solomon's injunction cannot be improved upon, "Go to the ant, thou sluggard, consider her ways, and be wise."

Far too many children these days find their amusement in a second hand manner visiting cinemas and such places and this form of amusement ultimately proves not at all satisfying. It is hoped that the proposed project will encourage the children to read more natural science and be eager to collect specimens for themselves. In the field of botany Shanghai offers infinite varieties of specimens and with a prize looming ahead this branch of study should receive more attention than ever.

Hobbies of Absorbing Interest

The hobbies also of collecting coins and stamps are of absorbing interest and have grown to such proportions that they have become almost institutions. Shanghai is an excellent place to hunt for treasures along these lines. Those children who have not yet started a collection might well begin this year. In England today with so many blackouts forcing people to stay indoors this hobby of King's is being taken up and found to be most diverting. A child can find greater interest in history and geography by starting out on a hobby of this kind, and many parents will discover how many things they do not know when a child in classifying his collection comes and asks to what place on the map the stamp belongs or what event is depicted on it.

It is hoped that this Exhibition will create for the children a real holiday adventure both in exploring the wonders of nature in the way of collecting objects in the way of birds, insects, butterflies and the like, in addition to other creative hobbies and that they will not be bored with this out of door study of everyday objects and phenomena.

Big Toll Taken by Earthquake in Peru

Lima, May 25.

Some 60 people are reported to have been killed, and several hundred injured, in Lima and Callao as the result of an earthquake.—Reuter.

Proposal to Revive Nantao Business

Re-establishment of Temple And Trade Centre Wanted

Chinese authorities in Nantao are reported to have organized a new committee for reviving the big business centre in the Native City which is popularly known as the Cheng Hwang Miao (temple) or Yi Miao. Members of the gentry will be asked to look after the affairs of the committee. Formerly many shops did business in and round the big temple where thousands of Chinese prayed daily before the city god.

It is interesting to recall that soon after the conclusion of the Sino-Japanese hostilities in Shanghai, the chief idol of the Native City was "invited" to "live" in the Settlement where a new temple has been built for him near Tamsui Road. The new committee may make another idol thus trying to attract worshippers and to revive business.

Merchants are said to have petitioned the Bureau of Social Affairs of the Shanghai Special Municipality for the re-establishment of the temple and trade centre in the Native City and when the authorities concerned tried to approach the old committeemen to discuss the question none could be found. Therefore a new committee will be organized.

Chinese authorities in Nantao are stated to be greatly interested in the new scheme. The population in the Native City has increased to 200,000, it is said.

Assault Complaint By Mrs. Page Dismissed

Sub-Inspector Cox to Pay Part of Costs

Mr. C. H. Haines, H. M. Registrar, dismissed the complaint made by Mrs. L. Page, wife of an S. M. P. sergeant, who alleged she had been assaulted, against Sub-Inspr. Alfred Cox and his wife, Olga Cox, in H. M. Police Court yesterday. Mr. Haines said that he believed there had actually been an assault by both defendants, but that he would dismiss the case under Rule 62 (1), as a trial offence, without conviction. Defendants were ordered to pay $50 towards the costs of he plaintiff.

Kidnapped Chinese Riders Released

Japanese Gendarmerie Free Doctor, Contractor After Week's Detention

Mr. Ku Dang-zung, contractor, and Dr. Chu Kyung-zang, physician, who, it will be recalled, were kidnapped on Macleod Road, at 6.30 a.m. on May 18, as they were about to ride in the country, regained their liberty on Friday evening, due to the intervention of the Japanese gendarmerie who raided a house just beyond the railway line in the western area shortly before midnight.

Three or four members of the gang, two of them armed, were arrested by the raiding party, while the victims, little the worse for their experience, were able to regain their homes after having been deprived of their freedom of movement for six days.

During their detention, the "North-China Daily News" learned, the victims were treated comparatively well.

The raid by the Japanese gendarmerie was carried out following information which had reached them regarding the hide-out of the gang and since it was well planned and systematically carried out, the gunmen were taken completely by surprise and did not even get a chance to make use of their weapons.

Japanese Act Against Yanghong Guerillas

Tension reigns in Yanghong near Woosung because Chinese guerillas have been attacking the radio station and aerodrome. Their actions necessitated Japanese military authorities sending troops to that area late on Friday night, states the "Shun Pao." A Japanese troops train arrived at Woosung shortly after 11 p.m. on Friday and unloaded 3000 soldiers at Changhwapang, the report says.

After alighting, the soldiers made a non-stop trip to Yanghong to protect the radio station at Kook-a chieh and aerodrome in Yuehpu. The report indicates that guerillas were led by Col. Koo Fu-sen who recently engaged the Japanese in a fierce battle near Tsingpu.

Chungking's Ban on Artificial Silk

Merchants Forbidden to Export to Free China

Foreign and Chinese merchants dealing in artificial silk in Shanghai will be affected by the latest order from Chungking forbidding them to export their cargo to the free China. Such an order has been received by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai which was recently ordered to certify native goods manufactured in Shanghai before they are sent to the Chungking-controlled interior.

The Chamber recently petitioned Chungking for an official opinion in regard to the export of artificial silk from Shanghai and the Ministry of Finance issued the ban, it being asserted that most of the artificial silk here is of Japanese origin. Besides, the order points out, there is no urgent need of artificial silk in the interior.

Fearing that goods manufactured in Shanghai may not be strictly of native origin Chungking has been enforcing many measures to prevent Japanese goods or semi-Japanese goods from flooding the inland markets. Authorities at Chungking are reported to be paying serious attention to contraband control in Fukien where merchants are said to be engaged in smuggling enemy goods.

All Japanese Safe In Holland

Tokyo, May 25.

All Japanese residents in The Hague are safe, including Japanese Minister to the Netherlands, Mr. Itaro Ishii, the Foreign Office was informed today from Berlin in the first direct information to be received of the beleaguered Japanese nationals in Holland's capital.

Mr. Ishii, the information said, wrote to the Japanese Embassy in Berlin and the message was cabled from there to Tokyo, Mr. Ishii's letter was sent through the German lines by military authorities, it was said.—Domei.

King's Birthday Honours List

London, May 25.

Publication of the honours list, which ordinarily takes place on the day appointed for the observance of the King's Birthday, June 13, has been necessarily postponed a few weeks, it is officially announced. The recent change of administration, the statement adds, is the cause of this postponement.—Reuter.

British Civil Servants To Work Extra Hours

London, May 25.

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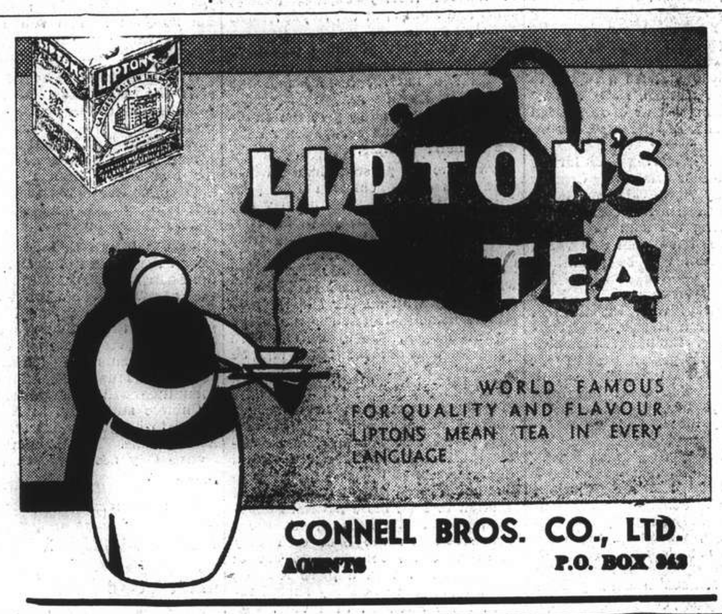

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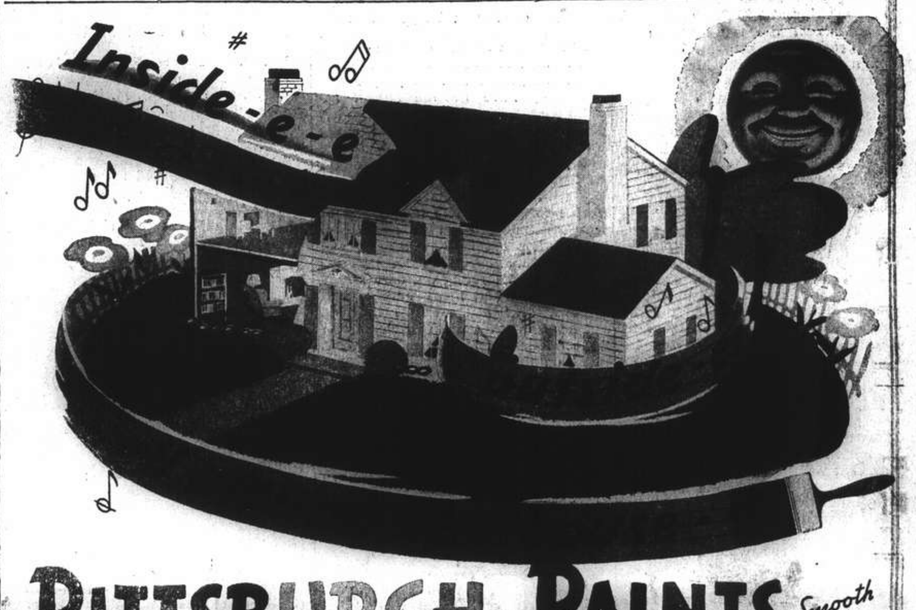

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Japanese Aid to Reich Advocated

Former Envoy in Berlin States All Help Short Of War Should Be Given

Tokyo, May 25.

Mr. Toshio Shiratori, former Japanese Ambassador to Germany, interviewed by United Press here yesterday urged Japan to exert the "fullest diplomatic and economic efforts on behalf of Germany."

Mr. Shiratori, who is awaiting an assignment from the Foreign Office after the rejection of his efforts to promote a Japanese military alliance with Germany and Italy, said he did not favour military action in aiding Germany, however.

"Our place is with the totalitarians," he said. "While I disfavour military action on this point, I advocate the fullest diplomatic and economic efforts on behalf of Germany. There is a growing demand to join Germany which will be intensified in the event Italy participates in the war.

"I am afraid, however, that intervention would be too late, because important decisions of the past decade have been the result of direct action. It now appears impossible to take direct action to force the Government's hand.

"As long as Admiral Yonai is Premier the democracies have nothing to worry about. In the event, however, the average is maintained and there should be a new cabinet soon, it inevitably would have stronger policies."

Mr. Shigatori revealed that during a conversation with Field Marshal Hermann Goering, the German Air Minister, last year, Marshal Goering said, "The next war will be ended before America can send help."—United Press.

Attempt to Murder Leon Trotsky

Exiled Politician Says Stalin Behind Affair

Mexico, City, May 25.

Leon Trotsky, head of the Fourth Internationale and one time right-hand man of Lenin, was attacked yesterday by gunmen armed with pistols and Thompson machine-guns while he was motoring through Alameda Park. He received a face wound. His secretary, an American citizen, Mr. Cheldenhard, was also injured, and his grandson was wounded in the foot.—Havas.

Trotsky Charges Stalin

Mexico City, May 25.

M. Leon Trotsky, exiled Soviet revolutionary leader, last night charged that M. Josef Stalin had "supervised" the attack on his life by 20 men armed with machine guns yesterday morning. M. Trotsky said the attack was "organized by the Gepu (Soviet secret service) and was under Stalin's direct supervision."—United Press.

Boxer Fund Scholarship Exams. Cancelled

Chungking, May 25.

In view of the European situation, the Sino-British Boxer Indemnity Fund Board has cancelled the scholarship examinations which were scheduled to be held on August 4 and 5, for the selection of Chinese students to be sent to England for higher studies.—Reuter.

Japanese Leaving French Capital

Wives and Children Going To Southern France

Paris, May 25.

Wives and children of Japanese citizens living here are preparing to evacuate this city for southern France, it was understood today. Accommodations have already been prepared at Biarritz for 35 Japanese women and children.

Meanwhile the Japanese Association of Paris has urged Japanese residents to leave for their homeland if it is at all possible for them to do so. In response to the plea scores have already departed for Marseilles where they will catch the N.Y.K. liners Fushima Maru and Hakusan Maru, leaving there for Japan on Monday. Among these sailing will be the well-known artist, Mr. Tsuguji Fujita.—Domei.

New N.E.I. Trade Arrangements

U.S. Dollar to Be Kept At Average Level

Washington, May 25.

In advising Mr. Sumner Welles, American Under-Secretary of State, that the Netherlands Government had joined the Anglo-French Monetary Agreement, Dr. A. Loudon, Netherlands Minister, yesterday declared that trade between the Netherlands East Indies and countries forming the sterling "bloc" would be effected at an official rate of exchange, which had been fixed at 7.60 guilders to £1.

Dr. Loudon added that the United States' dollar would be maintained at its average level of 1.87 guilders.

Preparatory measures, he stated, were being taken to ensure that exports destined for countries outside the orbit of the agreement would be fully maintained, but payment would have to be effected either in United States' dollars or any other foreign currency approved by the Bank of Java.—Reuter.

William Frawley, who is currently making "The Farmer's Daughter" at Paramount, with Martha Raye and Charlie Ruggles, received his start in theatricals because he was a stenographer in an Omaha railroad office. His native Irish wit won him a position in the company's annual minstrel show and from there he went into vaudeville, which led to the stage and films.

Nazi Planes Attack Diplomatic Car

Passengers Bombed and Machine-gunned

Paris, May 24.

German bombing and machine-gunning of the convoy of cars in which a party of diplomats was escaping Belgium were described to Havas today by Barros de Pimental Brando, Brazilian Ambasador to Belgium.

"The German planes," he said, "came flying over our cars, then began dropping bombs on us. We thereupon stopped the cars and ran into the fields for shelter.

"While we were finding hiding places, the German planes turned and bore down us, their machine-guns shooting bullets at us.

"Happily there were no casualties in our party," the Brazilian envoy concluded.

In the course of the brief interview, Senor Barros de Pimental also described ruthless attacks he had seen made by German warplanes on streams of helpless war refugees.—Havas.

Bank of Sweden Raises Discount Rate

Stockholm, May 23.

The National Bank of Sweden has raised its rate of discount from 3 per cent. to 3½ per cent.—Reuter.

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Successful School Entertainment

Public and Thomas Hanbury Girls Aid Sweet Charity

The Public and Thomas Hanbury Girls School gave an enchanting entertainment in the garden of the Girls Hostel at 6 Tifeng Road, yesterday at 10.30 a.m. and again at 4.30 p.m.

The entertainment started with country dances by the Transition and Form 1, under the direction of Mrs. Richardson and Miss M. Walton. Everyone enjoyed these dances; it was obvious that the young dancers loved doing them, and some of them were really beautifully done. Then Form III upper A sang various songs.—"Flowly Gently Sweet Afton," (arranged as a descant), selections from the "Pirates of Penzance" and "Patience," and a Somerset folk song by William Taylor. These were sung sweetly and with feeling and did full credit to the instruction of Mrs. Pecaric.

The proceeds of this entertainment are for the M.C.L. and although the play was really exquisitely dressed, the expenses, all told did not amount to $30. This was due to the generosity of the Staff in lending evening dresses and to their ingenuity in adapting them to make real fairy tale costumes. Mrs. C. M. Anderson was mistress of the robes and great credit is due to her and to her helpers for the effect produced.

"The Dream Lady" Appreciated

The piece de resistance of the entertainment, "The Dream Lady," produced by Mrs. Pecaric, was a great success, and was loudly applauded. Among those of the cast who contributed to the success of the play were the Misses K. Mohideen (King), A. Tomischinsky (Queen), R. Kirschener, D. Lovelock, A. Nielson, M. Bridges and E. Da Silva.

Entrances and exits were perfectly timed, and the actors were all so good that it is hard to pick any for special mention. The King is certainly a born blustering comedian, and he made every line tell, but he would not have been quite so convincing had his wife not proved such a good contrast with her queenly and dignified bearing. The royal children were just natural and sweet and each one of the courtiers pulled her weight. Perhaps the laurels should go to the Dream Lady herself, (E. da Silva) who by her graceful movements and her sweet singing, managed to instil the right spirit of fantasy into the whole play.

British Asking U.S. to Permit Refugees Entry

Washington, May 25.

Lord Lothian, British Ambassador to Washington, conferred with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, yesterday and it was understood today that he asked America's views on the possibilities of transporting large numbers of Belgian, French and British refugees to Canada and the United States. Lord Lothian stipulated that the refugees would only remain in America until they would be able to return to their homes safely, it was reported.—United Press.

Dispute Over Gambling Losses Brings Death

A dispute over six cents gambling money led to a fight and the subsequent death of a Hongkew barber late on Friday night, it was revealed in the First Special District Court yesterday when two brothers, who were alleged to have beaten the unfortunate barber to death, were brought before the tribunal on a writ of detention.

Police evidence was that shortly after 10 p.m. on Friday, Feng Tseng-deh, the victim, who lived in Elgin Road went to a friend's home in Range Road and gambled. Feng lost 56 cents during the game and his inability to pay six cents led to a quarrel and a free-for-all fight in which the friend's two brothers-in-laws participated.

Feng was set upon and severely beaten and after the fight the assailants escaped before the Hongkew police arrived. The victim was taken to a Hongkew hospital where he later died. Later investigations resulted in the two brothers, Wang Cheng-fah and Wang Cheng-ho being arrested.

Financial Report of Red Cross Concert

Handsome Cheques to Be Forwarded

Mme. J. Bernard, treasurer of the Red Cross Concert, held at the French Club on May 1, on behalf of the Franco-British Red Cross, has submitted the financial report of this function. The concert was given by Mme L. Elzear-Jouravel, Mme N. de Leuchtenberg Beauharnais and Mr. Kudinoff, and was a great success.

Cheques for $2,882.69 will be sent to Lady Kerr and Mme Cosme to be forwarded to the respective organizations.

Mme. Elzear-Jouravel, promoter of the affair, wishes to extend her best thanks to the ladies of the committee for their valuable co-operation, to the firms which advertised in the programme, and to the gentlemen whose donations have helped to swell the funds.

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Publicity	1,905.00
Sale of programme and tags	638.90
Donations Mr. J. E. L. Hunter	50.00
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" "Gibby"	10.00
" Mr. Gmehling	10.00
Total	$7,023.90

Expenses	
Two flags	$60.00
Cercle Sportif Francais	42.07
Printing	477.95
Municipal Tax on sale of tickets	221.50
Moutrie (rental of a piano)	50.00
Advertising	157.00
Artistes — Mme Leuchtenberg Beauharnais, Mr. Kudinoff and Maestro Margolinski	250.00
	$1,258.52
	$7,023.90
Net profit	$5,765.38

Prayers for Allied Victory in Egypt

Cairo, May 25.

Prayers for the Allies were said at mosques here yesterday. Preachers urged congregations to prepare for Jehad (holy war) and to be ready to sacrifice all for the Allied cause.—Reuter.

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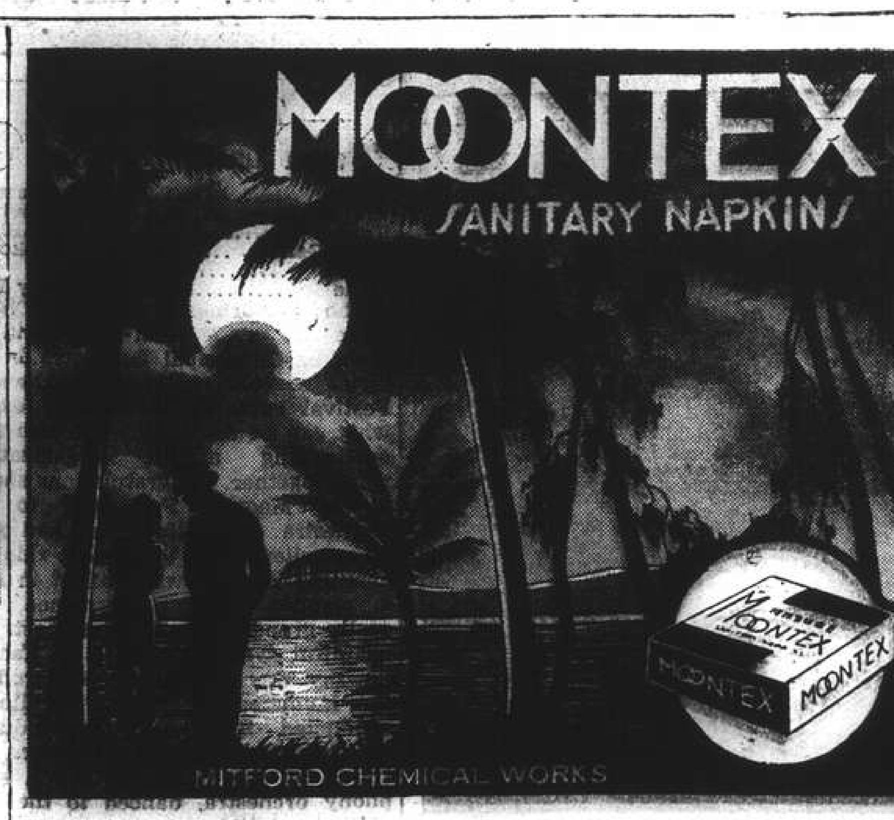

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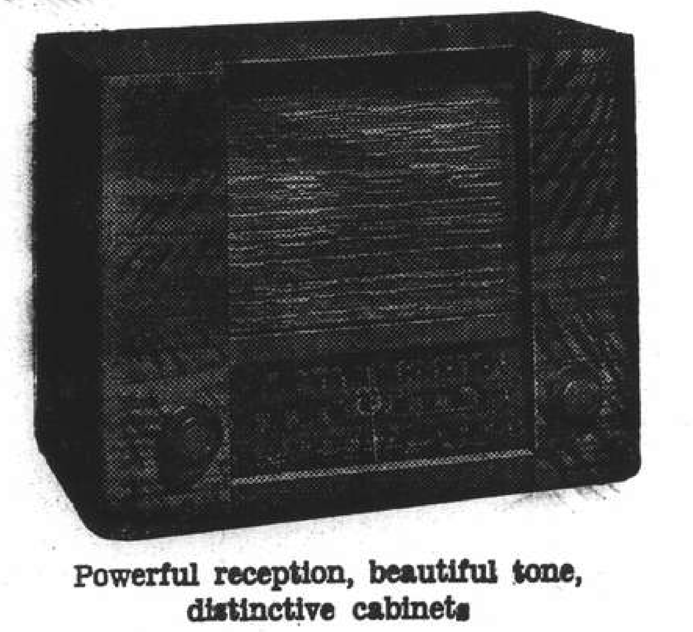

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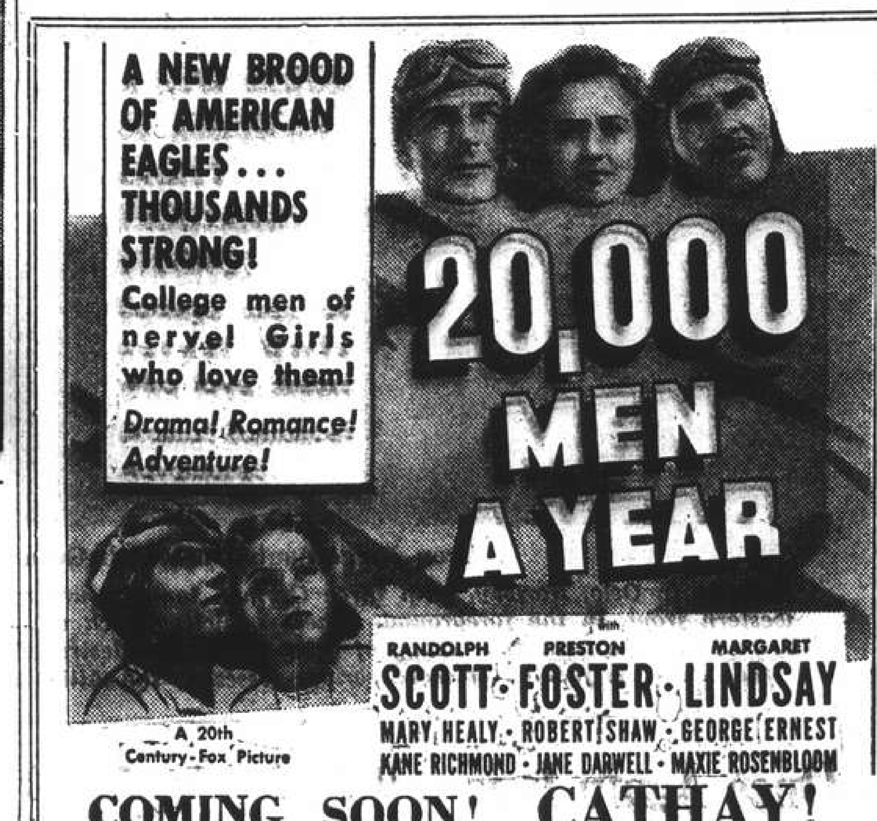

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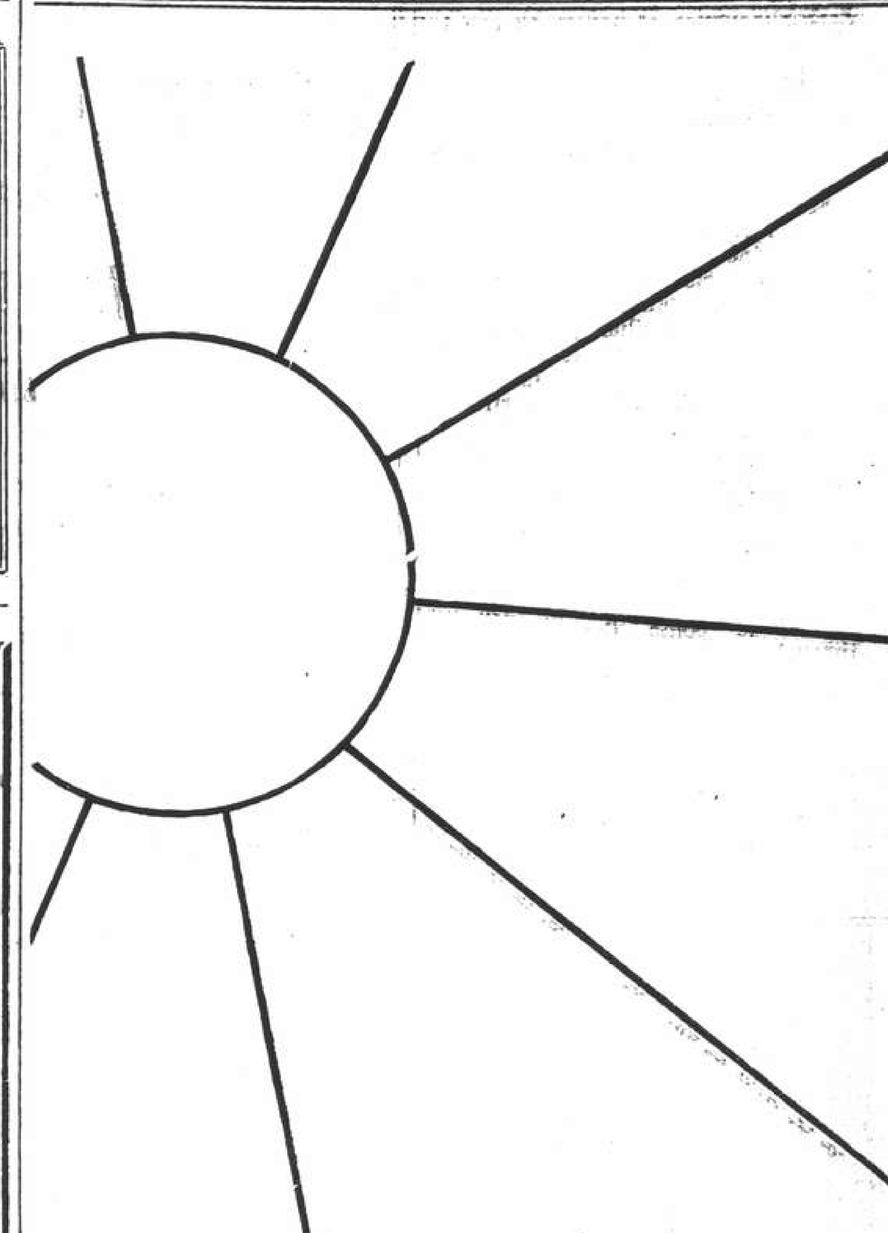

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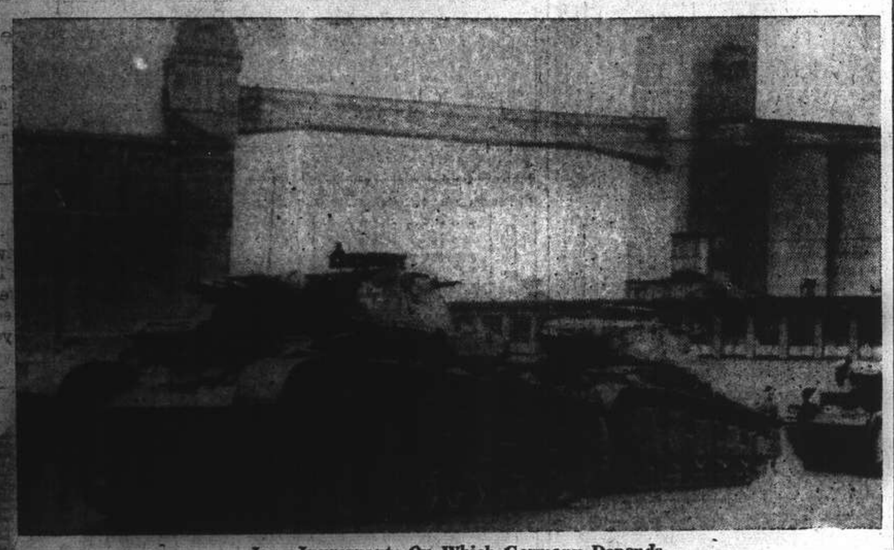

Iron Juggernauts On Which Germany Depends

A scene in Oslo, Norway, with three German tanks, counterparts of those now in action on the western front, in the foreground. These vehicles which are a heavy type have been pushed into France in huge numbers. Many of them have been destroyed by Allied action and it is estimated that Hitler is facing yet more serious losses as the Allied armies swing into a counter attack.

Once Again It is "Gay Paree"

Heartening News from the Front Dispels Cloud of Gloom; Churches Packed

Paris, May 25.

The heartening news from the front that Allied forces were pressing hard in the Somme and Arras sectors had an immediate effect on Paris this morning, dispelling the cloud of anxiety which dropped over the city during the first stages of the German drive in Belgium and northern France.

It was obvious today that the city's rapidly dwindling population was full of confidence and the phrase "On les aura" ("We'll get them") has become the catchword of many discussing the military situation. The upward trend in the atmosphere began with the nomination of General Maxime Weygand as chief of the Allied forces.

No chances are being taken, however, and the streets of Paris are getting emptier daily and rents are dropping as the steady exodus of women and children continues southward. Parisians jokingly say, "We are taking our holidays early this year."

Prayers

As always in times of danger Parisians are giving churches greater attention. Prayers for the safety of the fatherland are being organized at all churches, the most picturesque of which are at the ancient church of Saint Etienne du Mont, where crowds pass in and out all day and offer prayers to St. Genevieve, the patron of Paris and France. According to legend, St. Genevieve saved Paris from Attila and the Huns. Historically, however, she succeeded in getting out of the city during the siege and brought back food and supplies.

As in the other European capitals, the Rhine authorities have prohibited dancing and gambling. Cafes and theatres close at 11 p.m. and 30 minutes later "Gay Paree" is like a silent, sleepy village where only the dark silhouettes of policemen can be seen moving on the streets. There are still no buses in Paris and the only means of transportation are taxis and subways.

Women Enrolled

M. Robert Bos, president of the Seine General Council, today expressed the gratitude of the Department to Parisian Bus drivers, who have been working day and night evacuating the civilian population in the invaded regions. According to his report, many of these men have been wounded as a result of strafing by Nazi planes.

Against the possible danger of German parachute troops, the region authorities have been rapidly organizing militiamen in a body known as the "Anti-Parachutists Militia". Every mayor in all villages throughout the region is banding men together to comb the countryside throughout the nights searching for German soldiers.

The enterprising Prefect of the Seine et Oise Department has proposed the conscription of women for anti-parachutists patrols. He said he would enroll women as well as men in these patrols and asked, "Why should not intelligent women participate in the eventual hunt for parachutists? In a few days Seine et Oise will have militiawomen."—United Press.

Charlie Ruggles wore the same shoes in "Opened by Mistake," a new Paramount newspaper comedy-mystery which he got when he started in "Gentleman of the Press," his first picture.

U.S. Training 50,000 Pilots in Year

President Roosevelt Tells Of Major Preparations

Washington, May 25.

President Roosevelt announced here yesterday that the Administration plans to train 50,000 pilots during the next fiscal year as part of the nation's programme to build the most powerful air force in the world within the next year.

The 50,000 pilots who will be trained in the coming year will be incorporated into the Army, Navy and Marine reserves, the President said. The new plan represents an expansion of the Civilian Aviation Administration programme under which 10,000 pilots were trained in the past year.

Training Programme

The expanded training programme will draw from three classes of civilians; school and college students, citizens possessing flying licenses but who have abandoned flying and men between 18 and 22 years of age who are not enrolled in schools.

Meanwhile, the Administration was considering proposals made in Congress under which the 300,000 men serving in the Civilian Conservation Corps would be given military training immediately. Members of the C.C.C. live under Army discipline at present but are given no training in the handling of weapons.—United Press.

Anglo-Soviet Trade Conversations

Sir Stafford Cripps May Go to Moscow

London, May 25.

M. Ivan Maisky, Soviet Ambassador, called at the Foreign Office last night.

The statement in the House of Commons two days ago by Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, that the Government was taking immediate steps to improve relations with the Soviet Union, seems to indicate that the latest Soviet communication is regarded as opening the door towards the possibility of trade talks, says Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent.

In these circumstances, he declares, there is reason to believe that, subject to agreement of the Soviet Government, the British Government may send Sir Stafford Cripps, Leftist leader to Moscow, on an exploratory mission to ascertain what bases are available for trade negotiations.—Reuter.

THE STAGE

"Swan Lake"

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Odile .....Audrey King

The performance of the "Swan Lake" by the Russian Ballet and the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra in the series of concerts of Tschaikowsky's Festival revealed to the full extent what can be achieved when two such outstanding artistic organizations work together. Congratulations should go to Maestro Paci and to the Orchestra Committee who had such an excellent idea to present this enchanting Tschaikowsky ballet in such a manner. The performance was really grandiose in every respect. The beautiful symphony music of Tschaikowsky was exquisitely rendered by the Municipal Orchestra, excellently conducted by the guest-conductor Maestro Sloutsky. The dancers, inspired by the strains of a full symphony orchestra, danced to the best of their ability.

Outstanding, of course, was the dancing of Miss Audrey King, playing the part of Odette, the Swan Princess. Her superb technique performed with an extreme easiness won unanimous admiration. Shevlugin, as young, enamoured Prince, ably supported her. The first act was enlivened with many ensembles. A vivid dance by Yanover, Kojevnikova and Kniazeff pleased the audience and quite outstanding was the performance of Bobinina, Kojevnikova and Svetlanoff. The fascinating appearance of white swans in the second act was enchanting. Here, the stage was held by Audrey King and Shevlugin. Romantic adagios were exquisitely rendered. Group dancing was very well regulated and the dances of three swans (Yanover, Nedler, Kojevnikova) and of two swans (Bobinina and Baranova) were well performed. The third act displayed the brilliancy of many numbers, out of which Joy Blackwood and Sonia Roth scored a thunderous applause in their Neapolitan Dance. The Spanish dance by Nedler and Yanover was well received. And again the grace and technique of Audrey King was displayed to the best advantage. The return to the Swan Lake of the fourth act, in which the Evil Genius (which was very well played by Sokolsky) is conquered by the love of young Prince for Odette was the dramatic climax of this enchanting ballet.

All the cast of the Russian Ballet did exceedingly well in this performance and the producers (Sokolsky and Shevlugin) must be congratulated on having done an excellent work. It is to be hoped that more of such accomplished performances will be given by the Russian Ballet and the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra.—M.S.

Several Germans in Calcutta Arrested

Calcutta, May 24.

Several German residents of Calcutta, who were released following internment recently, have been arrested again.—Havas.

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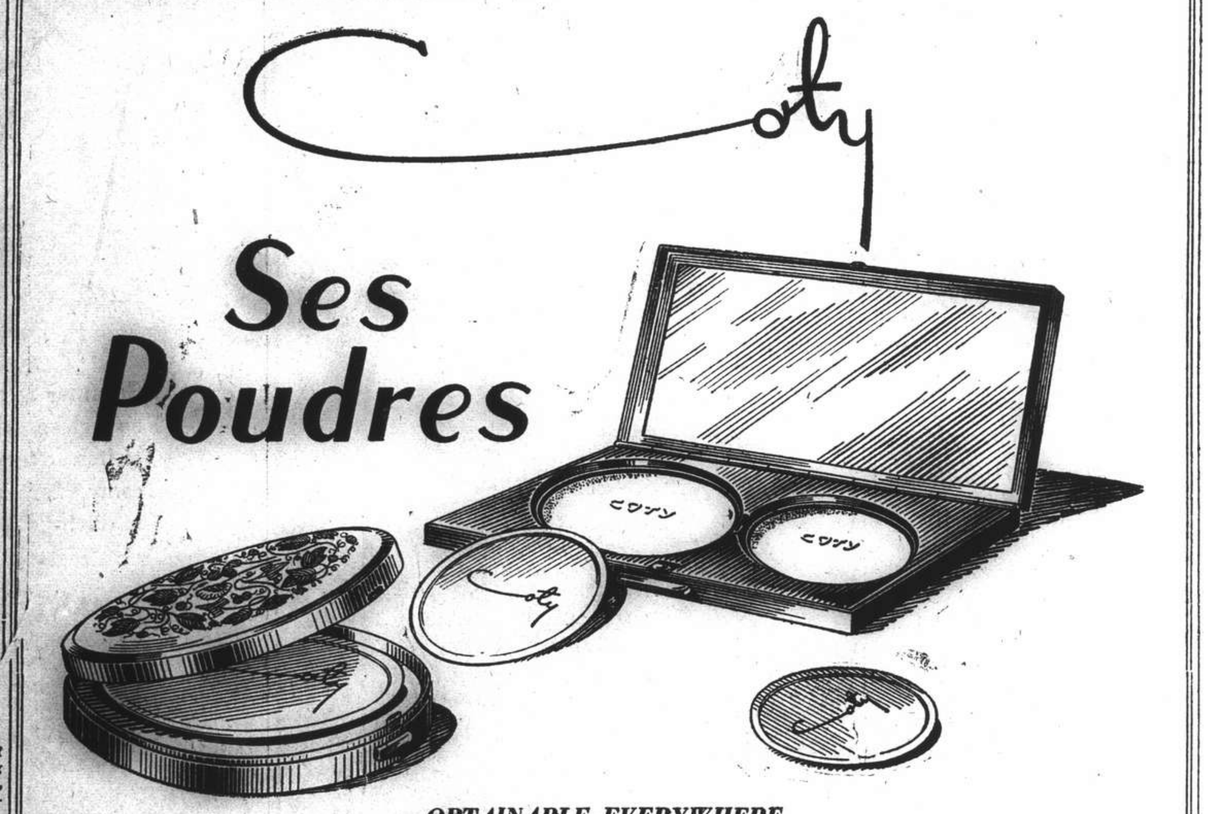

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U.S. Move to Crush "Fifth Column"

3,500,000 Aliens to Be Strictly Registered; "G" Men to Watch Activities

Washington, May 25.

The Government's nationwide campaign to crush "Fifth Column" organizations in the United States was intensified yesterday as law enforcement agencies studied the lessons to be learned from German "Fifth Column" activities in Norway, Holland and Belgium. The Department of Justice announced last night that 100 new "G-Men" would be added to the detachment of 150 Federal Bureau of Investigation agents already employed in combatting "Fifth Column" activities.

The Attorney General, Mr. Robert Jackson, envisages the registration of the 3,500,000 aliens residing in the United States. Such a plan, he pointed out, would aid the "G-Men" in keeping a close watch over alien activities.

Mr. Jackson refused to comment on reports that all aliens would be finger-printed by the Department of Justice to reinforce "Fifth Column" control. The suggestion that all aliens be finger-printed was first made by Senator Harry Byrd, Democrat of Virginia.—United Press.

Nazi Activities in Mexico

Washington, May 24.

"I know they have a Gestapo and a Nazi Party in Mexico," declared Mr. Martin Dies, chairman of the House of Representatives' Committee investigating "un-American activities." Mr. Dies said he had verification of reports of a heavy influx of Nazis and Communists into Mexico.—Reuter.

Strict Censorship on Letters, Photographs

British Censors Examine Travellers' Documents

There is a big bare room behind the sand-bagged entrance to No. 80, Pall Mall, S.W., where all day long there is a murmur of talk in a dozen languages, and an ever-present smell of hot sealing wax.

The talk and the sealing wax are an important contribution to Britain's war-time security. For "No. 80" is the department which censors every scrap of paper and every photograph which travellers from Britain want to take abroad with them.

Eleven men and eight women, proficient between them in every European language and a few more besides, work there.

Their job is to question would-be travellers about documents, family albums, books, trade reports, and other seemingly innocent papers which they have sought permission to take with them out of the country.

Presiding over their activities is Brigadier M. L. A. Gompertz, distinguished both as a soldier and as an author.

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"You would be surprised how many people are travelling to and from Britain just now," he stated. "Last week 1,000 people received exit permits. Of that number 146 came to us for permission to take out articles which come under the regulations."

When a bundle, despatch case, or suit-case full of papers has been passed for conveyance abroad, it is sealed with wax.

A metal cone, like a cook's icing bag, drips hot wax on to the package and seals are pressed on to it. Envelopes are sealed along every seam Suit-cases are wrapped up and sealed all over.

The majority of people get through the necessary formality in about ten minutes. They are given a permit to show at the port of embarkation.

There are offices similar to "No. 80" at Liverpool and Glasgow.

Merchant Kidnapped From Hotel Room

Motive for Crime Remains Mystery

Mr. Wong Yih-ching, believed to be a comparatively well-to-do merchant from one of the river ports, was kidnapped from room 311, Grand Hotel, Yu Ya Ching Road, shortly after 8.10 a.m. yesterday, when three men, one of them armed, forced their way into the room, giving him no alternative but to follow them to a car which was waiting in front of the hotel and which subsequently sped away in a westerly direction.

Mr. Wong arrived in Shanghai on May 7, to attend to some business and to consult a physician. He was not believed to be wealthy and the motive for the kidnapping is therefore puzzling detectives from Louza police station who are now investigating the case.

General Smuts on Fifth Columnists

"South Africa Will Fight War to End"; Fine Response To Volunteers Call

Johannesburg, May 25.

A warning that the Government would deal with fifth columnists was uttered by General Jan Smuts, the Prime Minister, speaking at a civic banquet in honour of his 70th birthday yesterday.

He also referred to South Africa's fine response to the call for volunteers.

"The world," General Smuts predicted, "will be much poorer at the end of war. There will probably be unprecedented impoverishment after the most colossal destruction in history.

"The Germans," he asserted, "lost the last war, despite their matchless military machine, because of psychological defects which remain unchanged, and which will once more defeat Germany. Nazi fanaticism may call forth no less fierce and determined fanaticism on the other side, and to the moral factor will be added the religious factor.

"South Africa will be in the struggle to the full and to the end," the Prime Minister promised.—Reuter.

Shortage of Fuel Hampers Germans

Pilots at Disadvantage When Fighting Allied Aircraft

Germany's deficiencies in highgrade aviation fuel will tell against her now that aerial warfare has developed on a large scale. While she is compelled to restrict use of it, the Allies draw freely on American resources to supplement their own.

High-grade fuel, sometimes described in terms of its "octane number," considerably increases the power output of an engine and a 'plane's performance. German aircraft have been using 87-octane spirit, whereas the Allies use 100-octane fuel in large quantities.

Commenting on this fact, the Petroleum Press Bureau recently stated: "Any technical urge in Germany towards a wholesale change-over to 100-octane fuel to exploit or meet the tactical advantages of an air fleet possessing greater speed, greater carrying-capacity, and/or greater effective range, may be tempered by the following considerations:

"In the first place, the rate of production would not suffice for protracted operations by the German air force, if fully committed. Secondly, the maintenance of supplies would hinge dangerously—more so than for other oil products—on relatively few plants. Serious dislocation might therefore result if these were damaged by enemy action.

Little Russian Aid

"If aerial warfare develops on a large scale and the Allied forces eventually operate wholly on 100-octane or even higher quality fuel, Germany may suffer from her inability to produce such fuels in quantities as large as those available to the Allies."

Among points made by the Bureau are:

Germany has no direct access to an established petroleum industry able to provide an adequate supply of high-octane blending spirits.

Export of aviation petrol from Rumania has recently been banned, while Russia is unlikely to have any large supplies available for Germany. Inside Germany the chief source is hydrogenation plants.

It is unlikely that the total output of 100-octane aviation spirit could be worked up to more than 400,000 tons before the end of 1941, and attainment of this would completely deprive Germany of her much-vaunted "bottled gas" for heavy vehicles.

The Bureau pointed out that this presupposes that Germany will be able to find the necessary amount of volatile light petrol of high-octane rating for blending purposes.

Letters to Relatives from Men in B.E.F.

London, May 25.

The War Office announces that in many cases soldiers in the British Expeditionary Force cannot communicate with relatives as regularly as in the past, and the fact that letters are not being received does not mean that the men have become casualties.—Reuter.

Wounded Captain Rang Alarm With Teeth

Overlooked When Crew Left Sinking Ship

Capt. Michael O'Neil, master of the British ship Barnhill, 5,439 tons, who was wounded when a Nazi 'plane bombed the vessel in the English Channel a week ago, described recently how he was "overlooked" when the crew left the steamer, and rang the ship's bell with his teeth for help. Four of the crew were killed.

Capt. O'Neil is now in a South Coast hospital, suffering from fractured ribs and right arm and an injury to his left shoulder.

"The second bomb from the 'plane hit us," he said, "and I was blown off the bridge.

"When I came to there was nobody about, so I started to roll my way to the forecastle head. I wanted to attract attention, and I thought of the bell, which I set ringing with my teeth.

"Then I heard shouts from the tug which apparently was standing by. Because of the fire they could not get alongside, and I was eventually taken off by a lifeboat."

Capt. O'Neil was amused at a report that the master of the Barnhill was "Potato" Jones, the British merchant master who gained fame as a blockade runner in the Spanish war. "I cannot think how the mistake occurred," he said. "I used to run the blockade during the Spanish war and take about 1,000 refugees a week to France. I was bombed 127 times and never got a scratch. My ship, the Thorpe Bay, was sunk.

New Summer Battle Suit For B.E.F. In France

A Sample of the summer battle-suits for the B.E.F.—already known as "Battle Ducks"—has been flown to France for the approval of Lord Gort.

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Production of the new battle-suits is expected to begin soon. They will be turned out by the million from factories in Ulster and Lancashire.

New York Foreign Exchange Market

Guilder Credits Question Sterling, Franc Steady

New York, May 24.

Sterling on the New York Foreign Exchange market received some support today, while the French franc was again backed by the Bank of France.

The New York on London cross rate opened at 3.18¾, moved up to 3.19½ at 4 p.m., but finally closed at the opening level, compared with yesterday's closing rate of 3.19.

The French franc remained steady throughout the day and closed unchanged from yesterday at 1.80½.

Meanwhile, banks reported that no further progress had been made in untangling the "futures" position of the guilder and the belga. It is pointed out that a similar situation existed during the World War, and litigation occurred which was not finally settled until years afterwards.

The Foreign Exchange committee has issued a call to all members to report, as soon as possible, the amount of guilder credits issued and outstanding, together with any acceptance made for New York by Dutch banks which are still outstanding and matured on and after May 10. No explanation was given by the committee for this action.—Reuter.

Bombay Stock Exchange

Bombay, May 24.

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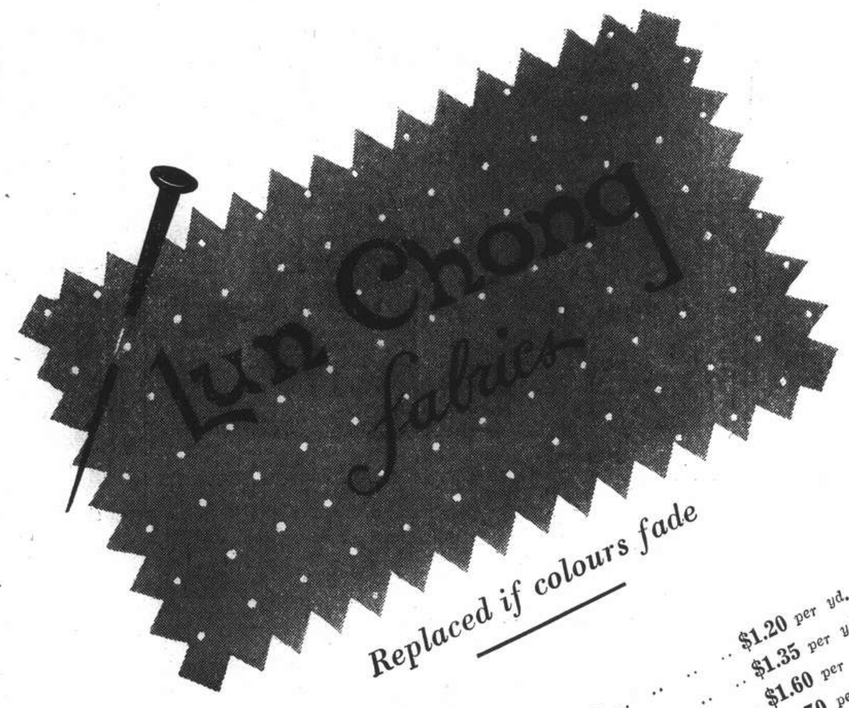

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The Interbank market was quiet all morning and quotations remained virtually unchanged. Small business was transacted at 4 9/64d. sterling and 5 9/16 U.S.$, and the market closed quiet at:—

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Foreign Exchanges

Closing, May 24.

Bombay, Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	99⅜N	London	1/5 31/32
New York	333	2 mths	
Shanghai	25	,, sellers	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	84	,, buyers	1/6 3/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6 1/32
Paris	176.50	Hongkong	1/3
Madrid	36.25	Singapore	2/4 1/32
Milan	62.25	Yokohama	1/5¾
Berne	17.85	,, buying	1/5⅝
Shanghai	4⅜d.		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.00 N.	Japan	23.48
Paris	1.80½	Shanghai	5.65
Italy	5.04½	Hungary	17.70
S'zerland	22.40	Rumania	0.50
Sweden	23.70	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Montreal	78.000	Greece	0.63
Brazil	5.10	Finland	2.00

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New York Stocks

Friday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 24.

Trading on the Stock Exchange today was a quiet and narrow affair, with quotations closing fractionally lower. Prices early advanced on good buying, but later the market reacted on adverse Allied reports. However, selling lacked volume, while evening-up operations towards the close were responsible for the day's small losses.

The turnover was small, totalling only 870,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	116.15	113.37	113.94	—0.77
20 Rails	22.80	22.30	22.45	—0.13
15 Utilit.	18.70	18.17	18.25	—0.17
40 Bonds	—	—	83.25	+0.15
11 Commod.	—	—	52.38	+1.03

May	23	24	May	23	24
Adams Exp	4⅛	4⅛	Johns Man	48	46½
Alg Lud	16⅞	17½	Jones & L	50	*50
Allied Stores	4⅞	5	Kennecott	27½	27½
Allis Chal	24	23⅞	Lak F & M	*24	24
Alum Ltd	52	47	Libbey O F	34	34
Amer Can	91	90½	Lockheed	29½	28½
Am Cyan B	28½	28¼	Loew's	21¼	22¼
Am For Pr	1⅛	1	Loft Inc	17½	17⅛
,, $7 pfd	†12	12	Mack Trks	17⅛	17½
Am G & E	26½	26⅛	Martin	33¼	32⅞
Am Loco	11⅛	11	McK & R	18½	19
Am Metal	14	*13⅞	Monsanto	89⅛	89⅞
Am Radtr	5½	5⅛	Mont Ward	34½	34½
Am R Mill	10⅛	10	Nat City B	*21½	*22
Am Smltg	34½	34	Nat Avian	10⅛	10½
Am Sug R	15	15	Nat Dairy	13	12⅞
Am T & T	147¼	147½	Nat Dist	18	18
Am Tob B	74½	74	Nat Gyp	5⅞	6
Am Wtwrks	6	6	Nat Lead	15⅛	14½
Anaconda	19½	19⅞	Nat P & L	3⅞	5⅛
Atchison	13⅞	13⅛	Nat Steel	49	48⅞
Auburn	0⅞	0⅞	Nat Sup	4½	4¼
Avian Cpn	6	5⅞	N Y Cent	10	10
Babcock	19⅞	20⅛	Niag Hud	3½	3½
Bald Loco	13	13⅛	N A Avian	17⅞	17⅞
Balt & Ohio	3⅛	3	N Am Co	16⅛	15⅞
Barber	9⅛	10	N Pacific	5	5½
Barns Oil	7½	7½	O I Glass	47	45
Bell Air	17¾	17⅞	Pac G & E	26½	26½
Bend Avian	21⅛	21⅛	Pac Light	36	35⅛
Beth Steel	66⅞	67⅛	Packard	2⅞	2⅞
Bliss	14⅛	14⅛	Pan A Air	12⅞	12⅞
Boeing	16⅞	16	Paramount	4⅛	4⅛
Borg War	14	14⅛	Penn R R	16¼	16⅛
Brid Brass	8⅞	8⅞	Phelps D	26⅞	26½
Brigg	14	14	P & R Coal	0⅞	*0½
Bkn M Tr	18½	17½	Phil Pet	28⅞	28
,, $6 pfd	*104	*104	Pitts C & I	5⅞	5½
Budd Mfg	3½	3⅛	P S of N J	33⅞	33⅛
Can Pac	2⅞	2¾	Pullman	17⅞	18½
Case J I	40	*41	Pure Oil	7⅛	7½
Celanese	21½	22⅛	Radio	4⅛	4½
Chase N B	*26½	*26½	Reading	10½	10⅛
Chesapeake	33	31½	Rem Arms	*3⅞	*3⅛
Chrysler	58⅞	57¼	Rep Avian	4⅞	4½
Clim Mlyb	26	26⅛	Rep Steel	14½	14½
Colt's	71	71	Rev C & B	8½	8½
Col G & E	4½	4½	Rey Tob B	36	35½
,, $6 pfd	76⅞	73	Rich Oil	6½	6⅛
Com Cred	30	31	Safe Stores	36½	36⅞
Com & Sth	0 13/32	0 13/32	Schenley	8⅞	8½
Cons Edis	24⅞	24½	Sears Roeb	63	62½
Con Oil	6	5⅛	Shell U Oil	8	8
Cont Can	34½	35½	Soc Vac	8	8⅛
Cont Oil	19	18½	Sthrn Pac	7½	7½
Copld Steel	17	17	Sthrn Rly	14⅞	15½
Corn Prod	46	45	Sperry	36	36⅛
Curtis Wr	8½	8½	Spicer	22½	23⅞
,, A	22½	22½	Std Brands	5⅛	5½
Deere & Co	14⅞	14½	Std G & E	1½	1
Dist Cpn S	12⅛	12½	Std Oil C	19½	19½
Douglas	75½	75½	Std Oil N J	32½	32⅞
Du Pont	154	†150½	Stone & W	5⅛	5½
E P Lead	7	6⅛	Studebaker	6⅛	6
Eaton Mfg	24	24½	Swift Int	18½	18½
Elec A Lite	26½	27	Technicor	9⅛	10
Elec B & S	4	4	Tex Cpn	34	34
,, $5 pfd	*45½	47½	Tex Gulf	27⅞	27
,, $6 pfd	55½	56½	Timken	19½	19
Elec P & L	19½	19½	Transamer	4⅞	4⅞
Fisk Rub	*10	*10	Tw Cent F	5½	5½
Flintkote	11⅞	11½	,, pfd	14⅞	*14
Gen Am Tr	37½	36½	Un Carbide	64⅞	64½
Gen Elec	29	28⅞	Un Pacific	73	71½
Gen Motor	38½	38⅞	Un Aircraft	41½	41½
Gen Rly	10⅛	10⅛	Un A Lines	13⅛	13½
Gen T & R	10½	11	Un B & P	9⅛	10
Glidden	11	11⅞	Un Corp.	1½	1⅞
Goodrich	10½	10⅛	,, $3 pfd	28½	28½
,, $5 pfd	46	46	Un Gas Cpn	1	1⅛
Goodyear	12⅞	13½	Un Gas Imp	10½	10⅞
Gt N I Ore	12½	12½	U S Ind Al	15	15½
Gt N Rly	17⅛	17⅞	U S Rubber	15⅞	16½
Gt W Sug	20⅞	20⅛	,, pfd	73½	*72
Greyhound	10⅞	10⅞	U S Steel	44	43⅞
Her Pow	76½	77½	Vanadium	26½	27½
Homestake	38⅞	38½	Vultee	8	*8½
Int Harv	42	42⅛	Walworth	3½	3½
Int Nickel	21	20⅞	War Br Pic	2⅛	2½
Int Paper	11½	11	West Elec	83½	83
Int T & T	2½	*2⅞	Woodward	16⅞	17⅞

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	51	51
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	17⅝	18
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	13½	13⅛
,, ,, ,, 6½% 1952	10	10
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	76¼	76¼
Erie 5s 1967	9½	9⅛
Int. Tel. & Tel.	26¾	27¾
New England Gas & Elec.	53	51
Republic of Colombia	*16¾	16⅝
,, ,, ,, (1928) 6s '61	16¾	16¾

London Stocks

Friday's Closing Quotations

London, May 24.

After early small improvement, stock prices later declined on the paucity of business, owing to the imminence of the weekend. British gilt edged securities ruled slightly easier, with occasional issues retaining small gains. Japanese issues were inclined to be irregular. Industrials also ruled irreguiar, with most issues finishing lower, while heavy industries moved narrowly upward.

Elsewhere, quiet but steady conditions reighed.—Reuter.

May	32	24
War Loan, 3½% (Red.)	£99	98½
JAPANESE BONDS		
Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	39	38
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	43	44
	Osaka, May 25.	
Kogo 5%		Y.106.93
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL		
Allied Ironfounders	12/6	13/-
Armstrong Stevens	6/6	6/6
Ass. & Elec. Indus.	37/9	37/9
Austin Motors, ord.	14/4½	12/6
Bristol Aeroplane	11/6	10/6
British American Tob.	95/7½	95/-
Cable & W., new form	49	48
Cammell Laird, ord.	5/6	5/7½
Courtaulds	30/7½	30/-
Distillers	61/-	60/6
Dunlop Rubber	32/3	32/1½
General Elec. (Eng.)	76/3	75/9
Guiness (A) Son & Co.	71/-	71/-
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	10/1½	9/7½
Imp. Chem. Indus.	28/6	28/6
Imp. Tobacco	100/-	98/9
Leyland Motors	57/6	57/6
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	38/6	38/3
Pressed Steel, com.	13/9	14/1½
Rolls-Royce	81/10½	80/-
Smethwick Drop Forgings	13/9	13/9
Tate & Lyle	50/10½	50/10½
Turner & Newall	63/1½	61/6
United Steel	20/3	20/6
Vickers, ord.	14/10½	14/7½
Woolworths	55/-	55/-
MISCELLANEOUS		
Anglo-Dutch	19/3	19/-
Rubber Pltn. Inv. Trust	25/7½	25/7½
MINES		
Burma Corp.	7/9	7/7½
Commonwealth Min.	Unq.	Unq.
Marsman Invests.	11/3	10/6
Randfontein Ests.	38/1½	38/1½
Sub-Nigel	187/6	187/6
Tanami Gold Min.	4½d.	4½d.
Western Holdings	10/-	10/-
OILS		
Anglo-Iranian	48/9	48/9
Burmah	62/6	63/1½
Mexican Eagle	3/10½	4/-
Shell Trans. & Trad.	61/10½	62/6
CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£47	47
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	45	45
4½% Anglo-French Loan	45	45
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	18	18
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	28	28
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	8	8
5% Honan Rly., 1905	12	12
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	16	16
5% ,, ,, (Ger. Is)	13	13
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	11	11
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	17	17
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	9	9
5% ,, ,, G.	9	9
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) B.	9	9
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) G.	9	9
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	10	10
S'hai Elec. Construction	15/-	15/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	15	15
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	28	28
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8¾	8¾
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	82	82½
,, ,, (Col. Reg.)	82½	84
Mercantile Bank of India	12¼	12¼
Chinese Eng. & Min.	18/6	18/6
Chosen Corp.	6/6	6/6
Pekin Syndicate	2/-	2/-
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	17/6	17/6

Sthrn. Pacific Co.	33¾	33⅝
Stand. Gas & Elec.	59½	59½

*—Bid. †—Ex. Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Irregular conditions prevailed on the Stock Exchange today, but the tone of the market towards the close was firm. Trading lightened substantially, as the bulk of traders were convinced that Allied resistance was increasing. The mid-session decline failed to gain volume and lacked severe pressure. Steels, railroads, oils and utilities presented a mixed appearance. Domestic business news was mostly favourable, with steel buying and automobile retail sales showing gains.

U. S. Commodities

Friday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 24.

Trading was fairly active in the cotton market, with prices early improving on good buying and continued mill demand. Subsequently, the market further advanced on the Senate Approval of the $500,000,000 increase in loan funds to be earmarked for major crops, general buying and shorts covering. At the close, quotations ranged from 16 to 28 points up, compared with the previous final levels.

A better sentiment prevailed in the rubber market, with prices marked up on a revival of speculative interest, factory demand and less offerings. At the last call over, gains from 19 to 40 points were recorded.

Mills and cash interests buying offset reports of moisture and liquidation in the Chicago Wheat Pit today. Later, the market improved on some commission house purchases. Meanwhile, the market is still under the influence of the tide of war. At the final bell, gains from 1 to 1¼ cents were registered.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
July	9.45-46	+28			
July (N.C.)	9.66 N	+26			
Oct. (N.C.)	8.81-81	+19	July	18.85-90	+20
Dec. (N.C.)	8.73-73	+22	Sept.	17.80-80	+19
Jan. (N.C.)	8.66 N	+22	Dec.	17.45-45	+40
Mar. (N.C.)	8.55 N	+26	Jan.	17.35 N.	+40
May (N.C.)	8.42-42	+25			

N. Y. Sugar No. 3			N. Y. Sugar No. 4		
Sept.	1.86-87 B/A	+07	Sept.	1.08-08½ B/A	+04
Mar.	1.85-86 B/A	+07	Dec.	1.09½-10 B/A	+04

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn		
July	83⅜-83⅜	+1¼	July	62⅜-62½	+⅜
Sept	83⅝-83½	+1⅛	Sept	61⅝-61¾	+½
Dec.	84⅜-84⅜	+1	Dec.	59¾-59¾	+½

New York Silk No. 1

July $2.60B-62A —2½

N—Nom. B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Friday's Closing Quotations

London, May 24.

Easier conditions prevailed in the London Metal market today.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 11 7/16 —1/16 sellers 11 9/16 —1/16; June delivery, buyers 11 7/16 unchanged; sellers 11 9/16 unchanged;

London Metals: Tin, Stan. Cash sellers £267¾ —2; 3 mths sellers £265½ —2. —Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

May 25	Bid Prices a.m. Closing	
Atoks	.13	S
Antamok	.075	
Baguio Gold	.14	S
Batong Buhay	.0075	S
Benguet Consolidated	4.25	*
Big Wedge	.135	
Coco Grove	.05	S
Consolidated Mines	.0012	
East Mindanao	.065	S
I X L	.20	
Ipo Gold	.048	
Itogen	.14	S
Masbate Consolidated	.0625	S
Mine Operations	.0575	S
North Camarines	.020	
San Mauricio	.47	S
Surigao Consolidated	.12	S
Suyoc	.09	
United Paracale	.14	S
Mindanao Motherlode	.065	S

*—Over counter. S—Sales.
Turnover for the Morning: 29,300 Pesos.
Shares Index: (Morning Session) 46.35. —Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: May 24.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 3/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0⅞%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B
	0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B
	0½%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

N. Y. Weekly Cotton Statistics

New York, May 24.

According to statistics compiled by the New York Cotton Exchange for the week ended May 24, cotton brought into sight thus far for the season totalled 13,099,000 bales, representing an increase of 136,000 bales compared with the previous week and of 4,216,000 bales compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Forwardings to United States mills reached 6,824,000 bales, representing increases over last week and the same week in 1939 of 114,000 bales and 1,321,000 bales, respectively.

Exports from United States ports since August 1, amounted to 6,046,000 bales, compared with 5,998,000 bales last week and 3,277,000 bales the corresponding period last year. The current week's figures included: 1,899,000 bales to Great Britain; 865,000 bales to Japan; 377,300 bales to China Proper; 30,000 bales to Germany; and, 28,200 bales to French Indo-China.

The stock of cotton in United States ports and interior towns was placed a 4,819,000 bales, compared with 4,945,000 bales last week and 4,673,000 bales a year ago.—Reuter.

Finance Companies Share Values

The statistical value of the International Investment Trust Co., of China, Ltd., shares last Friday was $20.04, and of the Yangtsze Finance Co., Ltd., $14.18, after making provision for dividends of $1.50 per share payable on June 6.

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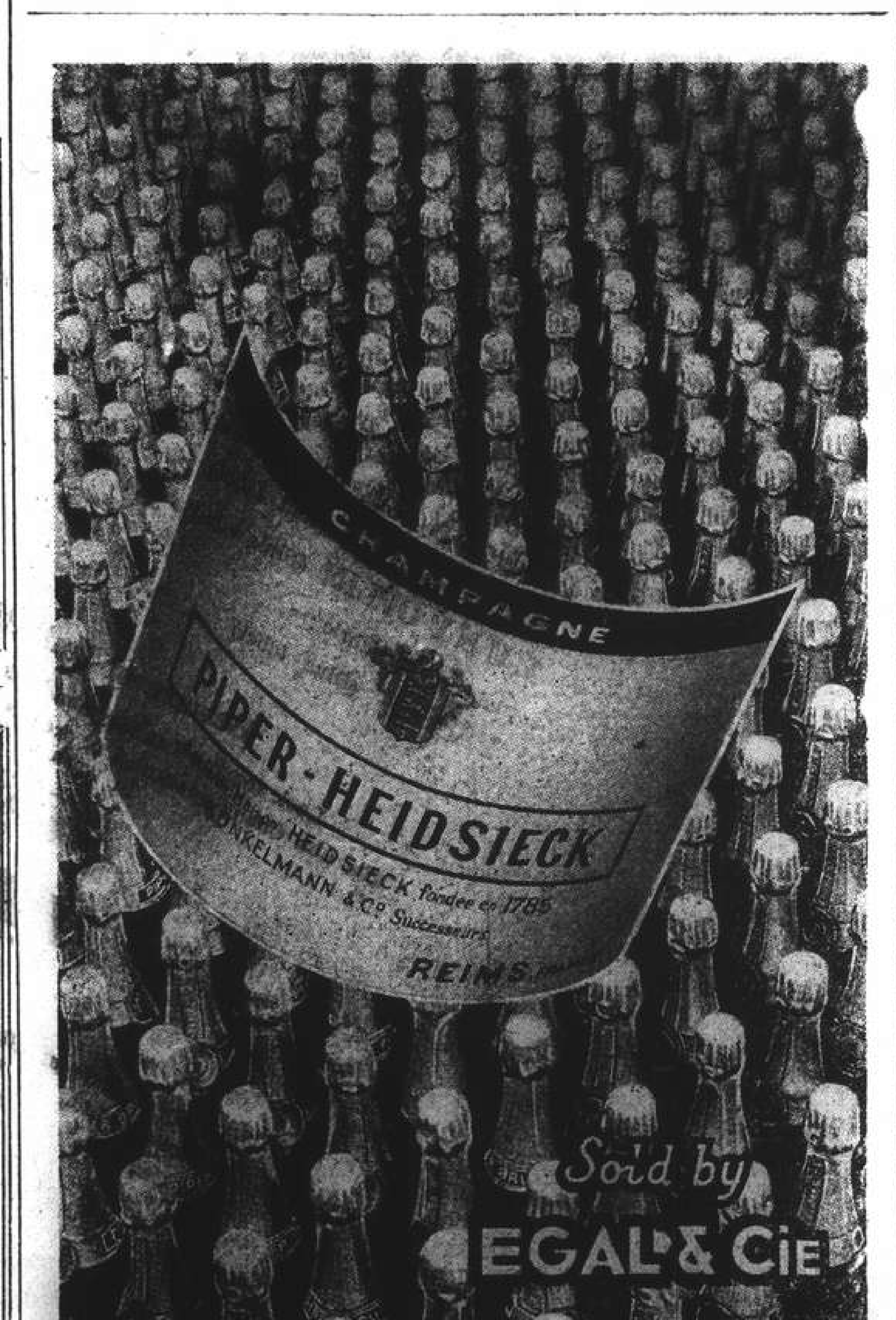

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EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GENOA
Conte Verde 10/5 6/6
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Birmingham City — 22/6

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Coldbrook 15/5 6/6

From KOBE
Kasima Maru 25/5 27/5

From NAGASAKI
Nagasaki M. 27/5 28/5

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN
Hoten Maru 25/5 27/5

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Hakone Maru 4/6

For GENOA
Conte Verde 9/6

For Bombay & Calcutta
Muroran Maru 3/6
Lima Maru 4/6

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Dona Aurora 29/5
Hokuroku Maru 4/6
Birmingham City 24/6
Kansai Maru 24/6

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Dona Nati 12/6

For VANCOUVER
Mirrabooka 31/5

For MANILA
Startia 27/5
Coldbrook 10/6

For HONGKONG
Tatuta Maru 17/6

For KOBE
Taiyo Maru 27/5
Kasima Maru 2/6

For NAGASAKI
Shanghai Maru 27/5
Nagasaki Maru 29/5
Shanghai Maru 1/6

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Hoten Maru 28/5
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Suitai	Ningpo	Wallem
Foch	Hongkong	D.K.K.K.
Daishin M.	River Ports	T.K.K.
Genoa M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Anwoo	Hsinkong	Dah Hsing
Kiangnan	Hsupu	C.F.P.K.
Tawha	T'lungkong	Quen Kee
Kanre M.	T'lungkong	Hwa Chung
Karsten	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
Hukuken M.	Keelung	T.K.K.
Remo	Sungmen	V. Chieri
Onoe M.	Singapore	N.Y.K.
Chingning M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Taiko M. 18	Hsinkong	T.K.K.
Taiyo M.	Japan	T.K.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	*Flag*	*Despatcher*
Pres. Taft	Am.	A.P.L.
Toba M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Iyang M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Chekiang M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Cortellazzo	Ital.	Lloyd T.
Kiangnan	Ger.	C.F.P.K.
Yutung M. 3	Jap.	C.C.T.H.
Tsingtao M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
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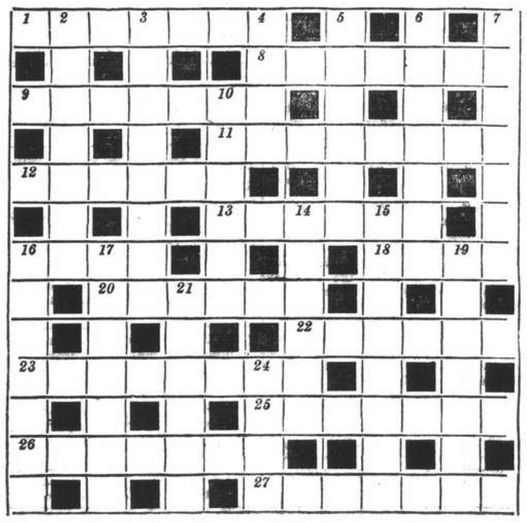

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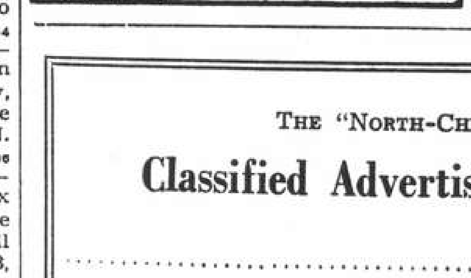

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